## Tarun taste success as Abahani march on

Surjo Tarun at long last found the winning touch to record their first win of the scason Udity beat

## Agrani

Udity Club notched up an at the Mirpur Pallabi ground.

Udity Club, Agrani Bank and Young Pegasus Club finished with 10 points from their nine matches. However only one of the team from these three will qualify for the super league. Wari, Bangladesh Railway and PWD have already qualified for the super league with 12 points each.

Agrani Bank electing to bat were all out for 176 runs in 43.3 overs. Niaz 35, Anwar 31, leading Agrani batsmen.

tively for Udity.

In reply Udity marched on to score 177 runs for the loss of four wickets also in 43.3 overs. Sajid 52, Tipu 44, Fahim 24 and Durjoy with 19 not out helped Udity reach their vic-

Masood to captured two wickets for Agrani Bank.

Young Pegasus will face Agrani Bank in tomorrow's play-off match.

## win in Div II

Sports Reporter Ajax Club and Kakrail Boys

recorded victories in their respective matches of the Rank-Xerox Second division cricket league at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium.

Union by six-wickets on the western side of the Dhanmondi ground

Friends' Union, batting first, scored 169 for nine wickets in their allotted 35

Friends Union scorers. Shawkat and Bobby bagged two wickets each for 18 and

33 runs respectively: Ajax Club, in reply, cruised

wickets in 33 overs.

were the notable Ajax batsmen. Shakil, Anwar and Litu took one wicket each for Friends Union. In another match, Kakrail

Boys registered on easy fouron eastern side of the Dhanmondi Club ground.

scored 127 all out in 27 overs. Bennet 40, Ruhel 19, Yasir 12, Babu (Jr) 11 and Masood also with 11 were the licroes batsmen to reach double fig-

the main destroyers for Kakrail Boys with five and four wickets each for 20 and 12 runs respectively.

Kakrail Boys, in reply, sailed to 128 runs for the loss

32 were the successful Kakratl

Babu (Sr) was the most successful United Heroes bowler

### Ansars lift boys' team title in Econo TT

Mariners Table Tennis tourney which concluded earlier in the week, yesterday added onc feather to their cap Coaching Centre.

in the final with Hamlet beating Milton, Rubel beating Mahclinch the issue by winning the doubles match against Mahbub and Milton 21-11, 21-14 to make the reverse singles redundant.

At the time of going to nade it to today's men's team inal, beating Village Defence

The men's team final is

Abahani, resuming at 44 for one after 14 overs and needing another 45 to win in reply to Kalabagan's poor Tuesday performance of 88 all out, easily rattled up the remaining runs without further loss to finish on 91 for one in 31 overs.

beaten on 39 while Nadir Shah was unbeaten on 37.

Earlier, in the Kalabagan innings Tucsday, only Munir, 18, Ishtiaque, 16, and Bablu, 13 reached double figures as Effec picked up three wickets for 12, Nadir Shah two for 11 and Ali Ahsan Babu two for

Abahani now have eight points from their four games while Kalabagan have two points from three.

their three previous games and desperately in need of success, finally changed the habit when they scored 132 for the loss of three wickets in 42.2 overs in

reply to Rupali Bank's 131 all out in 60.2 of the stipulated 75

Resuming at 69 for two after 22 overs, Tarun's overnight batsmen Hadi and Aruna De Silva added 118 runs off 133 balls for their match-winning third-wicket partnership to ensure Tarun's maiden win in the league.

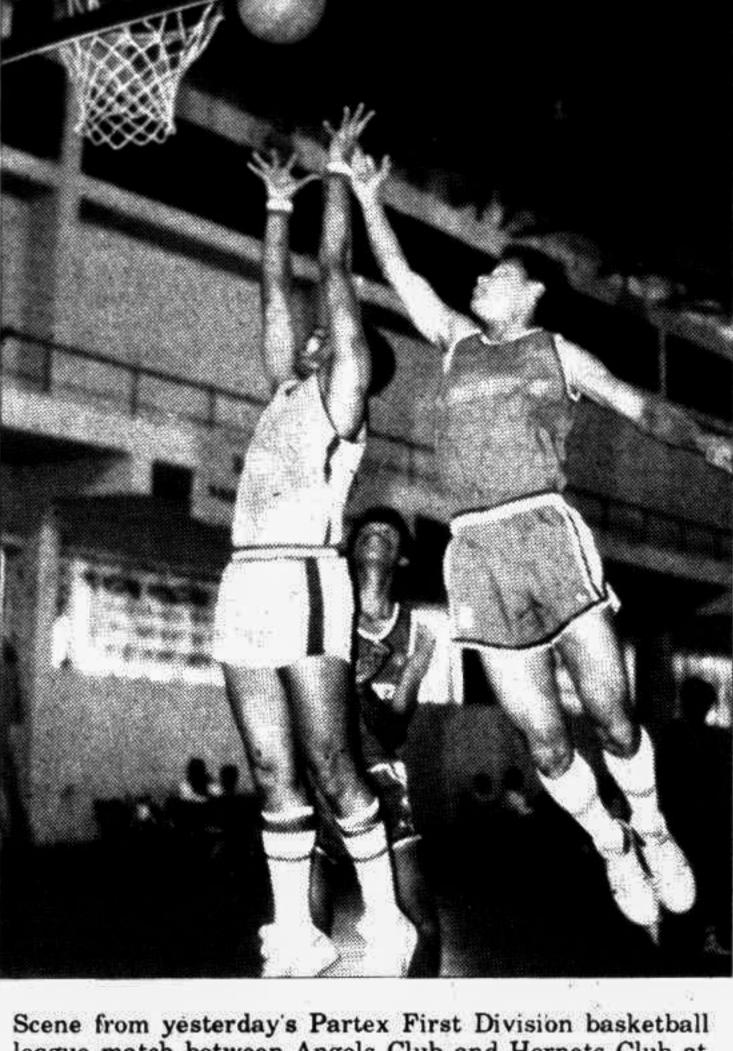
Aruna, who joined opener Iladi with the scoreboard showing two down for just eight runs, batted with purpose to finish on an unbeaten 74 laced with ten boundaries.

Hadi made 37 with the help of three fours. Zakaria remained not out on three.

Prince took two of the three Tarun wickets, having sent jitters in the Tarun camp Tucsday by dismissing both Shaibal and Rupam cheaply to reduce them to eight for two wickets. Yesterday, Pallab claimed the only wicket to fall, that of Hadi, at a cost of four

Rupali Bank have lost all their games to date.

TÖDAY'S MATCHES Mohammedans vs B. Bunan (Dhaka Stadium) Gulshan vs Lalmatia Club



league match between Angels Club and Hornets Club at the wooden-floor gymnasium. - Star photo

Gurusinha

Sri Lanka

C Senanayake c

### Kiwis sweep it clean 10 0 39 2 Ranatunga

Zealand), Feb 6 New Zealand easily beat Sri Lanka by 107 runs in a

high scoring oncday match today to take the series 3-0, reports Reuter.

New Zealand lost the toss and were sent in on a pitch that provided scarce help to the Sri Lankan bowlers.

Spearheaded by a wellstruck 65 by Ken Rutherford, New Zealand reached a series best of 272 for six in their 50 overs, setting Sri Lanka almost 5.5 runs an over to win.

Sri Lanka were all out for 165 in the 34th over.

While the tourists began batting at a blazing pace, they lost wickets too regularly to come even close to winning the game.

New Zealand left out veteran opening batsman John Wright to give Rutherford his first game of the series. Captain Martin Crowe moved up the order to open with Richard Reid and they put on 79 runs at nearly five runs an over for the opening stand.

Both were dropped early in their innings - mistakes that cost the Sri Lankans dearly. Crowc (31), Reid (53),

Andrew Jones (35) and Mark

PERTH (Australia), Feb 6

Four-day domestic matches

lution to the fils affecting

English cricket following the

national side's bitterly disap-

pointing Ashes tour of

Simpson, a close observer of

the English game, believes the

giaring technical deficiencies

displayed during England's 3-0

descat are the result of the

County side Leicestershire last

year, said on Monday Australia

won the present series without

BOBBY SIMPSON

playing as well as they did in

England two years ago, when

they thrashed the home side

the sides is that England's but-

ting is still vulnerable,"

Simpson said," It is the same

technical trouble and I have

seen the evidence of if in

build an innings, not always

playing the best shot to each

change in the way English

cricket is run, it would be to

have a four-day championship.

problems but I believe they

could be overcome and in

ericket terms it would cer-

tainly be a step in the right di-

England's flawed batting re-

They are not looking to

"If I could recommend one

"I understand the financial

eounty cricket.

The big difference between

Simpson, who managed

current domestic setup.

Australian manager Bobby

Australia, reports Australia.

may be the only long-term so-

contributions. Rutherford. playing on his home Carisbrook ground, provided the backbone of the New Zcaland innings.

His 65 came off 78 balls in 92 minutes to earn him the man of the match award.

Ian Smith smashed 42 not out late in the innings off just 21 balls, including five fours and one six.

The Sri Lankans, while toil ing hard, appeared to be feeling the effects of more than two days fielding at the end of the drawn first Test in Wellington, this week.

Romesh Kaluvitarana, playing his first game of the tour, opened the batting with Charith Schanayake. To try to maintain the re-

quired scoring rate, the Sri Lankans lost early wickets and could not build large partnerships. Only captain Arjuna

Ranatunga, run out for 50, made a significant score.

Danny Morrison left the field with a twisted ankle and will niss the three-match one-day series against England, starting in Christchurch on

flects a domestic setup where

undue emphasis on the one-

day game and a day-in day-

out grind creates and envi-

ronment where failure can all

too castly be forgotten in the

knowledge that there will be

examine themselves very thor-

oughly and ask whether they

are meeting the require-

"Some players will have to

Although Gooch named no

names, Wayne Larkins, John

Morris and Alec Stewart did

not perform up to Test stan-

dard with the bat and off-spin-

ner Eddie Hemmings must

surely have played his last

Gooch, who at 37 is batting as

well as ever, and their opening

bowlers Devon Malcolm and

burden of shock and stock

bowler and his figures did him

his body eventually rebelled

against the heavy workload.

Angus Fraser.

scant justice.

England will rebuild around

Malcolm carried the double

Fraser was superb, although

Allan Lamb, whose calf in-

jury was another heavy blow to

a side consistently unlucky

with injuries, batted well at

times and Mike Atherton and

Robin Smith showed great

strengthing and the self-indul-

Test hundreds amid some in-

nings of extreme irresponsi-

Gower, who needs only 34

more runs to overtake Geoff

Boycott as England's highest

run scorer in Tests, may not

get the chance against West

with the game and England

will be looking to slot Graeme

Hick into the side now the

Zimbabwean-born batsman has

fulfilled his residential qualifi-

Their performance has

been all the more galling

coming as it did after the

heady performances in the

Caribbean a year ago when they

could count themselves un-

lucky to have lost the five-

They returned home to win

match series 2-1.

He appears distillusioned

Indies this year.

gent, stroking two marvellous

another chance tomorrow.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard for the third one-day cricket match between New Zealand and Sri Lanka today: **New Zealand** 

R Reid c Wijegunawardene b

Ranatunga

M. Crowe	
lbw b Wijeguna-	
wardene	
WANTED STATES OF	31
A Jones c	
Ratnayake b Ranatunga	35
Rutherford b	3552005
Ramanayake 65	
M Greatbatch c	
Senenayake b Gurusinha	26
1 Smith not out	CASTA CALL
	42
C Harris c	
Gurusinha b Ramanayake	5
C Pringle not out	1
Putana (m. 4 15 10)	1.4

Extras (w-4, lb-10) Total (for six wickets in 50 overs) Did not bat : G. Larsen, D Morrison, W Watson.

Fall of wickets: 1-79, 2-110, 3-133, 4-203, 5-243, 6-OMRW Bowling 10 0 52 0 Ratnayake

Ramanayake

Crowe b Watson R Kaluvitarana c Reid b Pringle A Gurusinha b Watson Aravinda de Silva e Rutherford B watson

6 0 34 1

A Ranatunga run out II Tillekeratne e Crowe b Harris S. Jayasuriya c Smith b Larsen Asoka De Silva e Sub (Wright) b Crowe R Ratnayake c Sub (Wright) b Reid C Ramanayake b Rutherford K Wijegunaward cne not out Extras (W-7, nb-1,

Fall of wickets: 1-15, 2-41, 3-43, 4-74, 5-102, 6-105, 7-30 8-151 9-151

Total (in 33.1 overs)

19, 0-131	. 9-1	51.		
Bowling	0	M	R	W
Pringle	5	0	29	1
Watson	7	0	39	3
Larsen	10	0	36	1
Harris	5	0	30	1
Crowe	3	0	12	1
Rutherford	2	0	5	1
Reid	1.1	0	13	1

6-2, 6-3.

Club scored thumping victories over their rivals in the Partex First Division basketball league yesterday at the wooden-floor gymnasium.

Backstroke boys 83-10 in a one-sided mis-match after

leading 46-10 at the breather. The Winners' did not allow the Backstroke boys to score a single point in the second half, shutting them out totally.

Rajib and Tanu scored 18 and 12 points respectively for Dhaka Winners while Hafiz netted 8 points for Backstroke.

aspirants, Angels Club powered their way to beat Hornets Club 95-47 points after leading 57-20 at half time.

moon topscored with 30 points, James -- Angels' Chit tagong recruit justified his inclusion with 20 points and Bhulu was not very far behind with 16 points. Julian, 18, and Tarun, 12,

Hornets. Angels have now won al

Five Star vs Azad Boys (3:00 p.m.)

### Famous Sporting in super league

Famous Sporting Club

Razzague scored the vital goal for Famous Sporting in the ninth minute of the game.

Banani Nabarun vs Mohammed S.C. (Outer Stadium 3.30 p.m.).

## badminton

Friday at the Hatkhola ground.

doubles.

Of the Tk. 22,000 offered as prize money, the men's singles champion will earn Tk. 4,000, the runner-up Tk. 2,000, the men's doubles champions Tk. 5,000 and the runners-up Tk. 3,000 while the mixed doubles winners and losers will also collect similar amounts.

### DU cricket

Sports Reporter

Marketing Department posted a big 107-run victory against Micro-biology Department in the Dhaka University inter-department cricket match yesterday at the Jagannath Hall ground.

### Sports Reporter

Shovon meets Hira Lal

in today's Nissan final

strength and markedly superior skills.

In the other semifinal on the day, Hira Lal got the better of number three seed Maroof Rahman 4-6, 6-0, 6-4. Maroof started in great fashion taking the opening set but Hira Lal persisted with his baseline game and came back strongly in the second set, taking it at love. By the middle of the set it had become quite apparent that Maroof's stamina was not as good as it used to be even a couple of years ago and the slender and fitten Hira dominated the proceedings quite unchallenged. The final set score read 6-4 in Hira's favour. Faisal clinched the boys'

under-16 title beating Ronny casily enough 6-1, 6-1 in the final yesterday Faisal also picked up Tk. 3,000

along with the trophy while Ronny settled for Tk. 1500. In the boys under-12 final yesterday, Johnny beat Abhi 6-

2, 6-1 in a rather one-sided encounter. There is no cash reward in this group. Today's fare also includes the men's doubles final, the

winners sharing the top prize of Tk. 8,000 while the runners up will collect Tk. 5,000. Presidential Advisor for

Industries and Jute AKM Musa will give away the prizes as chief guest at today's concluding ceremony.

## Angels fly high Sports Reporter

Top seeded Sho-

von Jamaly will

face second- see-

ded Hira Lal in

singles final of

today's

the fourth Nissan Cup tennis

championships at the Gulshan

Club courts. The match starts

at 3:00 p.m. The winner will

earn Tk. 15,000 while the

national number one Shovon

proved more than a handful

for the national junior cham-

pion Shibulal and sixth seed,

winning in casy straight sets

no answer to Shovon's

The dimunitive Shibu had

In yesterday's semifinals,

runner-up Tk. 9,000.

Dhaka Winners and Angels

Dhaka Winners crushed

In the other match, title

Ex-national player Ma-

were the leading scorers for

their matches. TODAY'S MATCHES

## Gregs vs Wanderers (4:30

Sports Reports

scored a lone goal victory over Mukdapara S. K. J. S. to clinch the super league title from East Zone Group 'B' in the play-off match of the Pioneer football league yesterday at the Khilgaon High School ground.

TODAY'S MATCH

## Hatkhola Club

Sports Reporter The fourth Hatkhola Sporting Club open badminton tournament begins tomorrow,

Thirty-five players including seven women will be vying for the titles in the men's singles and doubles and the mixed

### Lewis says Ben can't do it without drugs

RALEIGII (North Carolina), that he is on," Lewis said, dis-Feb 6: World 100-metre crediting Johnson's long layoff record-holder Carl Lewis said on Tucsday he doesn't think arch rival Ben Johnson of Canada will be a threat to him this year if Johnson continues to run the way he has indoors, reports Reuter.

"Everybody wants to automatically give him credit for what he did on drugs," Lewis said in a telephone news conference call from Hawaii.

"We know he can't produce that clean, if he's clean . . . so Ben is not a thought." Lewis said Johnson

basically had to run away from

the American to win a race (indoors this year)." Johnson, suspended for two years and stripped of his 100metre world record after testing positive for a steroid at the 1988 Olympics, launched his comeback last month by losing races to US sprinters Daron

Council and Andre Cason. He won for the first time in three trics on January 26 by defeat-

ing fellow-Canadian Brian Mor-

as a major factor in his defuts. The two are under contract

to meet in Mamlo, Sweden on August 5 and may race in Zurich two days later, but Lewis said his primary focus this year would be to win one or more titles at the world championships in Tokyo in late August. Lewis said he was recovered

from knee surgery in October ' and predicted he would break his world record of 9.92 sec. onds this summer. He also said he would long

jump more that he has in four or five years and planned to compete in the 200 metres after saying last year he was abandoning the event. He is in Hawaii this week to

participate with training part-

ner Leroy Burrell and several

American football and baseball players in a made-for-television event called the "World's fastest athlete." The athletes will test their speed around the baseball

rison and Council in Ottawa. paths, in a 40-yard run in football shoes on grass and in a "People have to realise he is not the same athlete off drugs 100-metre race on a track.

### Czechs beat Thais The Czechs, a late replace-



PUR. Feb Czechoslovakia's Slovan Bratislav a goal in scored half to

register a 2-0 win over Thailand in robust Group B match on the second day of the Merdeka soccer tournament here Tuesday, reports Two players, one each from

the Czech club side and Thailand, were given the marching orders for a punch-up. In another Group B match,

the Olympic teams of Denmark and Malaysia tied to a-draw.

### Star cricket

CHITTAGONG, Feb 6: Annesha beat Muktadhara by 103 runs in the CJKP Star Juba cricket tournament at the outer stadium here today, reports BSS.

Annesha batted first and scored a massive 213 for eight wickets in the stipulated 35 Rashed of Annesha made a

breez 70 playing only 41 balls. His brilliant knock included five sixes and five fours. Mintu with 39 and Kaishart with 28 were the other main scorers for Annesha.

Palash of Muktadhara captured three wickets for 23 runs while Kamal took two wickets for 33 runs.

In reply, Muktadhara were all out for 110 in 28.2 overs. Anowar of Muktadhara scored 38 runs. After performing well with the bat, Rashed of Annesha also displayed his ability with the ball taking three wickets for 12 runs followed by Diku with three for 8.

ment for Japan who withdrew. started off lethargically and allowed the short and atppy Thais to dominate the early exchanges.

The Thais however failed to convert the advantages as most of their attacks fizzled out in the Czech's half.

The Czechs, who won a local tournament here last week, opened accounts in the 25th minute. Kinder Vladimir fired a stinging shot straight into goal, leaving keeper Poomcart Hugsuwannarool stranded.

The Thais only attempt was in the 29th minute but Surachai Pobprasert shot wide in front of the goal.

A minute before the interval, Czech's Schule Ivan and Thailand's Anan Thongsuk were sent off for a punch-up. After the interval, both

teams played a tight game but

the Czechs put the issue beyond doubt in the 72nd minute through a goal by Chvila Miroslav. In an earlier match, the Malaysian Olympie team

started off on a slow note but

managed to score in the 35th minute. Midsielder Abdul Mubin Mokhtar collected a pass from Chan King Kong and sent the ball into the net past keeper

Niels Jorgensen. However the lead was short lived as three minutes after the interval, the Danes equalised from a corner, Jakob Kjeldbjerg headed in a corner kick taken by Michaeel Jo-

In today's matches, Malaysia meet Indonesia while Admira Wacker of Australia play China.

This is what I do. I enjoy

this," said Leonard, a multi-

millionaire, as he sat on the

ring apron on the second floor

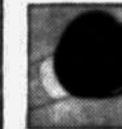
of the gym in one of the seedi-

est parts of Manhattan, about

eight blocks from Madison

This is my job. This is my

## Leonard ready for Norris



his players.

four rounds of sparring on Tuesday, sending his

erushing left hook to the head and impressing just about everyone in the gym except the five-time world champion himself, reports Reuter.

opponent sprawling with a

something to do with showing his skills as a world-class ring psychologist. Both the gym work and the head work was in preparation for his attempt to take away the World Boxing Council

thing in an attempt to throw off his opponent's concentra-"I just tripped him," the 34-

happens all the time. I've been knocked down, I've knocked down other guys. Too much should not be

performance on Tuesday. first round, mugged a bit in the second round and even switched to a right-had lead for some of the third round before starting to work the

middleweight, lay stunned on the canvas for a few moments before being helped to his feet. He just gently shook his head and said "damn". "I couldn't ask for anything

more than that if I was training him (Leonard)," said Gil Clancy, a veteran fight manager and television analyst. From what I see, I think he's gonna knock out Norris.

Norris, 23, almost destroyed Julian Jackson in the first round in July, 1989 before getting careless and cocky in the second round when Jackson knocked him out.

"Tell you what you can and can't do"

Square Garden.

living.

out of the ring, he said: 'No. think it's contagious."

### NEW YORK, Feb6: Square Garden. in the first round last March. After being hit by Leonard, Leonard, 34-1-1, has been Sugar Ray Leon Leonard was asked why he Derwin Richards, a 20-8 junior ard finished his known to try just about anyhad chosen to fight Norris.

But Leonard's reluctance to say he was pleased with his performance probably had

(WBC) 154 pound (70 kg) super welterweight title from fellow American Terry Norris in a scheduled 12-round fight on Saturday night in Madison

year-old Leonard said with just a hint of a smile after his workout. "It's no big deal. It

made of a sparring session. But Leonard, who should not be made of a sparring session, But Leonard, who will turn 35 in May, had to be pleased by his He slipped punches in the

body and the head very seriby knocking out John Mugabi

But before that, Norris, 26-3, broke Jackson's checkbone and opened up a cut on his mouth that took 17 stitches to close. Norris won the WBC title

Leonard refused to acknowledge age much beyond that, except to say that people shouldn't let a particular age

He refused to talk about retirement and when the question was posed a bit differently by asking him if he talked to retired fighters about when they knew it was time to get

### Sports Reporter after yesterday's matches. Reigning Navana And both teams won rather Premier Division comfortably, Abahani beating league Kalabagan by nine wickets champions A bawhile Surjo Tarun descated hani Krira Cha-Rupali Bank by seven wickets. kra registered At the Dhaka Stadium their fourth victory in a row,

Sports Reporter easy six-wicket win over Agrant Bank in the play-off for the super league in the Milnars First Division cricket yesterday

Into 28, Towrith and Wasim with 18 runs each were the Imran, Rahul and Babar claimed two wickets each for 25, 31 and 39 runs respec-

## Ajax, Kakrail

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wicket win over United Heroes United Heroes, batting first,

Masoom and Shezan were

of six wickets in 32.3 overs. filmmel with a stylish 50 and Franco with an unbeaten

# with two wickets for 23 runs.

Sports Reporter Bangladesh Ansars, fresh from their success in the

when their boys clinched the team title in the Econo Ballpen TT meet at the National The Ansars boys outplayed Narail DSA in straight sets 3-0 bub and then pairing up to

press, Bangladesh Biman had Party in straight sets 3-0. The other semifinal was still in

scheduled for four this after-

Opener Tipu remained un-

TARUN TRIUMPH Surjo Tarun, having lost

Greatbatch (26) all made useful

New Zealand wicketkeeper

Reserve wicketkeeper

New Zealand strike bowler

Domestic setup is England's bane series against moderate opposition in the shape of New

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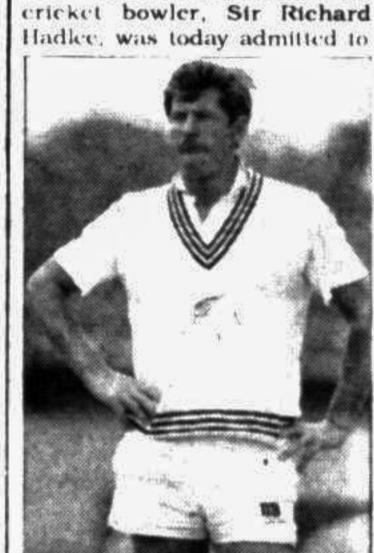
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Zealand and India and, in retrospect, their successes in the English season raised false expectations. Placid Pitches, smallscamed balls and a basking hot

### summer produced a glut of runs for players who soon Hadlee admitted

to hospital DUNEDIN (New Zealand), Fcb 6: New Zealand's star Test



hospital after falling ill sud denly, New Zealand cricket council honorary medical officer John Heslop said, reports

He would not say what the

At one point during his

illness was but television New

Zealand reported it was "stress

related.

ericketing career Sir Richard Stopped playing for several months suffering from stress. An Otago hospital statement said Sri Richard was in a comfortable condition and was undergoing tests and would re-

main in overnight for observa-

Sri Richard, 39, became ill

while watching a one-day international between, New Zealand and Sri Lanka here.

struggled against combative

Australians on pitches offering

more lateral movement than

of Gooch himself, who re-

turned to the Test side after

suffering a hand injury which

would have put lesser men on

half centuries in a row, includ-

ing a brilliant 117 at Adelaide,

and England were a different

To the relief of all England

side when he was at the helm.

cricket supporters, he con-

firmed on Tuesday that he was

happy to continue as England

skipper, although there was no

disguising his depression at

the result of the series and the

lack of commitment of some of

me to put things right at

times," Gooch said, "I've given

my best in every way and tried

and given everything, it's dis-

appointing when other people

not to let it get me down.

don't do the same.

"It's been a nightmare for

"But having gone out there

Gooch reeled off five Test

The brightest spot was form

had been expected.

the first plane home.