# History at Eden Gardens today



CALCUTTA, India, Nov 9: Clive Rice will lead South Africa out for its first ever one-day interna-

tional here Sunday, after waiting 20 years for his national colours - a tour blazer, tie and cap, reports

In 1971, a youthful Rice was measured up for his first blazer after being selected for South Africa's tour of Australia.

The tour never took place because of pressure from antiapartheid groups, which led to South Africa's exclusion from international cricket until July this year.

Now, two decades on, the balding 42-year-old all-rounder will finally wear his national colours when the first of South Africa's three internationals against India gets underway at the 98,000 capacity Eden Gardens here.

"I have to pinch myself to believe we are going to play official cricket again," said Rice who spent the intervening years playing for Nottinghamshire in England and leading rebel tours organised by Springbok cricket officials.

The long wait has not dimmed the South African

day's one-day against India

here that will herald the

visitors first international

cricket match in 20 years, re-

Mandy Yachad and left-arm

spinner Clive Eksteen, South

African captain Clive Rice told

a crowded news conference at

the Eden Gardens Stadium

where the match will be

open the batting with the pro-

lific Jimmy Cook. Keppler

Natal's Andrew Hudson will

Also omitted are batsman

9 : South Africa

have left out all

rounder Craig

Matthews from

the team for Sun-

skipper's enthusiasm for the game. In fact, he is more determined than ever to start on

a winning note. "It will be great if we can cap this historic series with a win, but we are using this tour as a preparation for next year's (World) Cup," Rice said.

"The Indians are a well-knit combination but I believe we have the players to pull it off," said the Springbok captain, who will become the world's oldest debutante in international one-day cricket.

The squad, led by Rice and coach Mike Proctor, had a strenuous workout under a hot afternoon sun at the lush green Eden Gardens.

Also at the nets were four youngsters, two of them Black, who have been brought along in the touring party to gain experience of international cricket.

Both sides will finalise their playing elevens later Saturday, but the dry wicket indicates

spinners could play a vital role. The South Africans are well equipped in this department with two left-arm spinners. Clive Eksteen and Tim Shaw, plus the occasional off-spin of Peter Kirsten.

The Indian team also have two left armers, vice captain

Indians bank on spinners

in the squad, comes in at

played 25 Tests for Australia

before returning to his home

all geared up for the big day.

We have had butterflies in our

stomach since we left South

Africa and are keenly looking

India have left out dashing

forward to the game, he said.

opener Krishnamachari Srik-

kanth to accommodate left-

arm spinners Venkatapathy

Raju and Ravi Shastri. Batsman

Praveen Amre will make his

Dalmiya said the game will be

played over 50 overs with a

international debut.

Left-handed Wessels 34.

Rice said his players were

number three.

country.

Ravi Shastri and Venkatapathy

Indian skipper Mohammad Azharuddin said he was confi-

### Pakistan keen to play in S Africa

KARACHI, Nov 9: Pakistan could be the first team to tour South Africa after the republic's return to world cricket, reports

Shahid Rafi, secretary of the Board of Control of Cricket in Pakistan said on Saturday that the BCCP have asked to play there in the last two weeks in January.

"The ball is in the court of the United Cricket Board of South Africa," Rafi said. A four member UCBSA delegation visited Pakistan

Like the current trip to India, a few one-day internationals against Pakistan would be useful for the South Africans as they prepare for the World Cup. which begins in February.

in October.

dent of victory in the threematch series but warned against taking the unknown

instead of the normal 40, be-

ddin (Captain), Ravi Shastri,

Navjot Siddhu, Sanjay Man-

jrekar, Sachin Tendulkar, Pra-

veen Amre, Kapil Dev, Manoi

Prabhakar, Javagal Srinath,

Kiran More (Wicketkeeper),

Venkatapathy Raju. 12th man:

(Captain), Jimmy Cook, An-

drew Hudson, Keppler Wes-

sels, Peter Kirsten, Adrian

Kuiper, Brian McMillan, Dave

Richardson (Wicketkeeper),

Richard Snell, Allan Donald,

Tim Shaw. 12th man: Mandy

Umpires: V K Ramaswamy

South Africa: Clive Rice

India: Mohammad Azharu-

cause of the early dusk here.

The teams:

Sourav Ganguly.

opposition lightly.

Azharuddin, who watched a few South Africans in action during his stint with Derbyshire last season in England, felt the visitors were capable of giving anyone a run for their money.

"They are a good bowling side, but I am not sure of the batting," the Indian captain told reporters after nets Saturday morning.

He singled out Warwickshire's fast bowler Allan Donald as South Africa's main weapon and spoke in glowing terms of Jimmy Cook, who has scored more than 2,000 runs in each of his last three seasons with Somerset in England.

Match organiser Jagmohan Dalmiya said ticket sales had picked up after the arrival of the South Africans on Friday morning and he expected a full house for the match.

"I don't think many people here had dreamed of watching the South Africans playing in India in their lifetime, so the enthusiasm for the match is understandable," said Dalmiya.

Dalmiya, a former Indian Cricket Board Secretary, had proposed the Springboks' return at an International Cricket Council meeting in

## De Klerk slams Ramsamy decision

JOHANNESBURG, Nov 9 South Africa's Olympic chief Sam Ramsamy drew more flak here on Friday for a decision by his National Olympic Committee of South Africa to drop the official flag and anthem in Barcelona next July. reports AFP.

NOCSA announced Wednesday it would send a team to the 25th Olympiad, but said it wanted to replace the official Afrikaans and English anthem Die Stem with Olympic hymn, Beethoven's Ode to Joy, and the flag with a NOCSA banner.

Both flag and anthem are symbols of White minority rule. President Frederik De Klerk said Thursday it was "not for NOCSA or Mr Ramsamy to take decisions about national symbols such as the flag and the anthem.

De Klerk found an unlikely ally Friday in Benny Alexander, secretary-general of the hardline Pan-Africanist Congress (PAC) who said adopting a new flag and anthem was "the duty of a new government, not the responsibility of Mr Sam Ramsamy.

And South Africa's last 1.67 metres in the 1952

strives to wear a Springbok, she said, lamenting NOCSA's decision to drop the emblem worn since 1910 in favour of a new mascot to be chosen by public competition.

and we're hoping this interim measure will be accepted by all

Charity, and with a Rosary of white beads in her hand, met the South Africans at their re-

The United Cricket Board

9: Nobel peace

laureate Mother

Teresa blessed

South Africa cri-

cket squad today

and called their history tour

of India "A mission of peace

and a work of love" reports

missionary, who was awarded

the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.

told the South Africans: "I will

pray for you, that your mission

successful. Let your cricket be

a work of love. Works of love

Rice, who towered over her as

he shook her hand. "Go unto

the simple hit Israeli of her

order, the Missionaries of

of American Linda Harvey-

Wild in the quarterfinals of the

350,000 - dollar Virginia Slims

of California tennis tournament

Second- seeded Martina

Navratilova of the United

States, who could tie Chris

Evert's all-time record of 157

titles with a victory this week,

Aeliminated compatriot and

eighth seeded Mary Pierce 6-

2, 6-2 in a quarterfinal match.

In the other quarterfinals,

third- seeded Manuela

Maleeva- Fragniere of

Switzerland out-slugged sev

enth- seeded Amy Frazier of

the United States 6-3, 6-2,

and six -seeded Lori McNeil of

the US held off a tenacious

American Stephanie Rehe 7-6

improved bowler, and the spin

of Ravi Shastri and Venkat Raju

would form the core of the

Indian attack. It will all de-

pend on the sharpness of the

flakes to be provided by the

supporting bowlers. But by all

counts, India's strength lies in

look rather overweight in age

- the average age being

slightly over 30; the oldest is

The visiting Springboks

(7-2), 6-2.

her batting.

Befittingly India, and obviously the Eden Gardens

A M Chowdhury

on Friday, reports Reuter.

God and help other people".

She told skipper Clive

Mother Teresa, dressed in

OAKLAND, Cali-

are works of peace".

The Frail Roman Catholic

The South African cricket team, led by their skipper Clive Rice(R), arrive to a rousing reception at Calcutta's Dum Dum

Mother Teresa blesses Springboks

airport on Friday for an historic three-match one-day series ending 21 years of isolation from international cricket.

nounced a donation of 100,000 rupees (nearly 4,000 dollars) to her mission. "It's wonderful to actually see someone like that," Rice

said after the brief meeting in

of South Africa later an-

the Calcutta home of the mission. "She's really special." More than, 100 photographers and officials crowded the courtyard of the building on a busy Calcutta street where

the cricketers met Mother Armed police kept the curious crowd of onlookers at bay. Traffic on the street was

locked and mounted police-

men stood guard until the

after the 15-minute meeting. South African play India in a limited-overs match on Sunday, their first interna-

South Africans drove away

tional fixture since 1970 when they were expelled from the International Cricket Council because of Pretoria's apartheid policies. The ban was lifted in July,

marking the country's success in racially integrating its cricket establishment and launching a development programme for the sport in Black

Their showcase return was to have been at the World Cup in Australian and New Zealand next year, but Indians invited them for a quick tour of threeone day matches after Pakistan called off a five-match series scheduled for this month.

The squad would work out at the nets at Calcutta's Eden Gardens, the world's largest cricket stadium, later today and then announce the final coach Mike Proctor said.

It is the first visit to India

- AFP photo

for most of the South African Squad. But Jimmy Cook, who has starred for Somerset in the English County Championships in the last three seasons, has special reasons to happy at coming here. 'My dad was born in

Bombay in 1926 and he migrated to South African 20 years later. If we were playing in Bombay, I would have brought him along" the elegant right-handed batsman said. South Africa's other two

games are in Gwalior on November 12 and in New Delhi on November 14.

Navratilova, fourth in the

world, successfully controlled

her service games by playing

her hallmark attacking game,

while Pierce, 29 in the world,

struggled on her serve, double-

faulting away one game in each

#### Wessels, the only Test player lunch break of just 30 minutes, and R S Rathore. City Club beat Pegasus

Sports Reporter

Mymensingh Cricket Club

(GMCC) tomorrow, Nov 11, at

the Dhanmondi Cricket

and elected to bat, a decision

they must have soon begun ru-

ing as their batsmen started

the sorry procession towards

the pavilion one after another.

Pegasus were shot out for a

meagre 60 in 26.2 of their al-

lotted 45 overs with just one

man -opener Piklu who was

run out for ten - making it

into double figures. Even a

handsome bonus of 27 extras

failed to take the Pegasus

score past the three-score

mark. Liton, run out for seven,

and Biplob with five were the

the first of the three one-day

internationals between India

and South Africa and thereby

marking the come back of

South Africa to the arena of

world cricket from which it

was ostracised 21 years age

helped create a world-wide

indignation against South

Africa's apartheid. Back in

1893 Barrister M K Gandhi

was thrown out of a First Class

railway compartment during

his journey from Durban to

Pretoria and was he 'ily boxed

on his ears by the white

coachman before reaching

Charlestown, where he was not

allowed a room in the Grand

National Hotel. Gandhi had his

first taste of aparthetd. But

during the same course of his

journey, in its last leg between

Transvaal and Pretoria, Gandhi

met a fellow white passenger

who did not allow Gandhi to be

thrown out of the First Class

compartment by the guard, re-

torting, "I do not mind in the

least his travelling with me". It

is heartening to think that the

spirit expressed by this white

passenger back in 1893 has

ultimately triumphed and

apartheid.

Today, the 10th

of November.

1991, Eden Gar-

dens, Calcutta, is

going to make

history by staging

next best Pegasus scorers.

Young Pegasus won the toss

Stadium.

Match organiser Jagmohan

ports AFP.

played.

City Club pulled off a major surprise on the third day of the 13th Damal Summer cricket tourna-

ment beating Young Pegasus by six wickets in the only match of the day at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

City Club, promoted to the Milnars First Division cricket league at the end of last season, made an auspicious debut in the 45-overs a side knock-

#### Chris Lewis joins Notts

LONDON, Nov 9 : England all-rounder Chris Lewis on Friday signed a six-year contract to play county cricket with Nottinghamshire, reports

Reuter. Several counties had pursued Lewis, 23, since he announced he wanted to leave Leicestershire in the summer. but Sunday league champions Notts were always considered

the favourites. Team manager John Birch said: "Chris is potentially the most exciting all-rounder in the world today and I feel that in the kind of set-up we have here at Trent Bridge, he can only prosper. Indeed you haven't seen the best of him by a long way."

#### Another blow for Berlin's Games bid

BERLIN. Nov Prosecutors launched a fraud investigation on Friday into contracts to promote Berlin's bid to stage the 2000 Olympic Games, reports Reuter.

The inquiry focused on documents signed by the city's Olympics campaign agency with a Duesseldorf advertising

It was the latest blow to a Berlin Olympics bid criticised for mismanagement and leaden promotion.

Justice Department spokeswoman Uta Foelster said an official investigation had been started based on findings from an informal probe. She declined to give details.

At issue are newspaper reports alleging that Lutz Gruetke, Berlin's sormer Olympics campaign manager who resigned in September, had a direct or indirect stake in an advertising agency handling the promotion.

It was not clear whether Guettke was a target of the investigation, which involved suspected breach of trust and conflict of interest in the cityowned Olympics company.

Mayor Eberhard Diepgen earlier called for an inquiry but emphasised he had no hard ev-

idence of wrongdoing. Berlin's Olympic bid has won little popular support.

out tournament, hitting off the runs and Nahid with two for 61 runs needed for victory in 15 were the most successful only 20.5 overs with six wick-City Club bowlers. As many as ets to spare. The win took City four Pegasus batsmen ran Club to the semifinals of Group themselves out. B where they will meet last year's runners-up Greater

start with openers Zakir and Moni making 18 and 16 respectively. However, City Club lost some unnecessary wickets when in clear sight of victory which came in the 21st over, for the loss of four wickets.

the three wickets that fell to the bowlers at a personal cost of 11 runs off seven overs. Liton took the other for four Meanwhile, the BCCB has

TODAY'S MATCH

Pappa with two for eight

Lalmatia Club vs Agrani

City's reply was off to a good

Mahmud picked up two of

postponed the fixtures scheduled at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium until further

Bank (Dhaka Stadium)

South Africa's isolation has

Cricket Council's (ICC) green

signal for the accommodation

of South Africa in the forth-

coming World Cup, India lost

no time to fill up the vacuum

caused by Pakistan's with-

drawal from the five-match

series by inviting the South

Africans, who in turn grasped

the chance wholeheartedly to

Since the International

come to an end.

fornia. Nov Top-seed Monica Seles Yugoslavia found the top form she did not expect to have until the finals in her 6-0, 6-2 rout

Olympic gold medal winner Esther Brand, who at 26 won the high jump with a leap of Helsinki Games, told AFP: "To old people it's a said case.'

"I think every athlete

Ramsamy defended the changes Friday by saying NOCSA, which includes administrators of all races, had opted unanimously for new symbols.

"It's an interim measure. South Africans," he said.

16-member squad, having re-

called Srikkanth and Veng-

sarkar, thereby emphasizing

The inclusion of Praveen Amre

and Saurav Ganguly bring in

new faces along with the other

new entrants like Srinath and

Subrata Benerti. Selectors have

blended experience with

freshness and the mixture may

It is likely India will try dif-

prove a happy one.

confidence in the old guards.

Seles in Virginia Slims semis In the semifinals of the indoor tournament. Seles faces Maleeva- Fragniere, winless in eight career matches against Seles, and Navratilova plays McNeil, 0-7 against Navratilova

in career meetings. Seles, first in the world. broke Harvey- Wild, 58 in the world, in the first game of the match with a forehand drop shot winner, disheartening the American who had saved the first break point with a stunning cross court forehand

passing shot. Seles, the defending champion here, went on to win the first eight games of the match as she repeatedly forced Harvey- Wild to hit the ball close to the lines or face the prospect of running form sideline- to- sideline just to stay in the point.

Although Harvey- Wild managed to hold her serve for 1-2 in the second set, Seles admitted she was never worried about the outcome of the match, in which she had six

names of the Pollock brothers

(Peter and Greeme), Goddard,

Tayfield could attract huge

strong player from the baseline, so it was a good way for me to see how well I was playing," Seles said.

"It was a great match for

me because I was keeping her

on the defensive. She is a

Daniels, an American who made the field as a qualifier then won two matches in straight sets to make the quar-

"I seemed like I was cracking my serve pretty good,"

Warwickshire led the county

table throughout last season

until Essex took over almost

helped by Richard Snell,

towards the end. He will be

Danields said. " All week that's really been what's keeping me



nnessee, Nov 9: Mary Ou Daniel's strong serve met its match when

Belgian Sabine Appelamans rebounded to take 6-4.6-4 victory in the quarterfinals of the Virginia Slims of Nashville tennis tourna-ment on Friday, reports

terfinals, jumped ahead of Appelmans 4-1.

But her right quadricep started to bother her on her serve and Appelamans seeded fourth, returned to the form

that helped her win the Arizona tennis classical last "I think I let her back into it, "Daniels said." Although at 4 I I was just trying to go for

broke, and she wasn't really in the groove of her game." Appelemans said Daniels's serve was overpowering at the

"She was serving so deep, and I was always under pressure when she was serving." Appelamans said. "I got used to it because it was turning a Appelemans, 19, is the

the tournament. She'll meet Karina Habsudova, 18 of Czechoslovakia in the semifi-The other semifinals will

highest seeded player left in

pit American Katrina Adams, 23 against Soviet Natalia Medvedeva 19, the seventh seed and defending champion.

Habsudova upset eighth seeded Yayuk Basuki of Indonesia 6-4,6-2 in the guarterfinals. Adams beat fellow American Tammy Whittington 7-5, 6-1 and Medevedeva beat Isabelle Dmongeot of France 3-6,7-5,6-2.

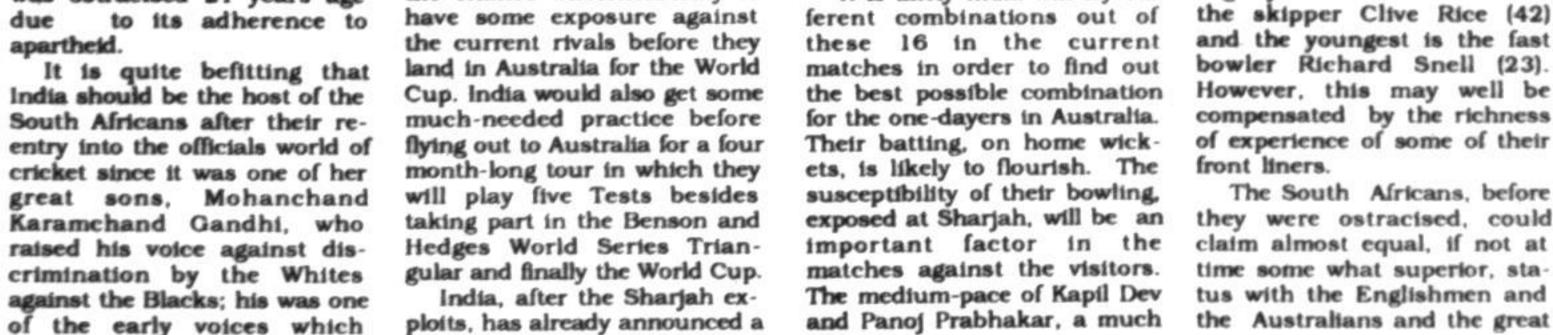
### Volkov in semis at Grabb's cost

MOSCOW, Nov 9: Eighthseeded Alexander Volkov defeated American Jim Grabb on Friday 7-6, 4-6, 6-3 in a close quarterfinal match of the dlrs 330,000 Kremlin Cup tennis tournament, reports AP.

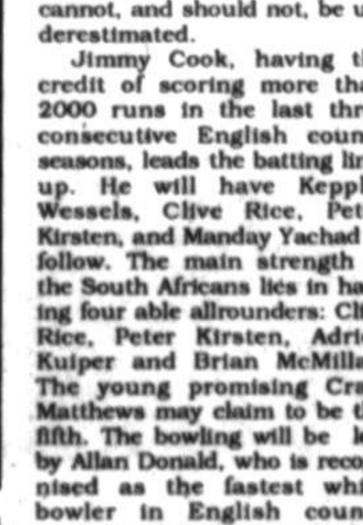
Volkov's Soviet countryman Andrei Cherkasov, last year's Kremlin Cup champion ad a favorite of the Olympic Stadium crowd, won his quarterfinal duel against Switzerland's rocket-serving Marc Rosset 4-6,6-1,7-5.

Grabb's loss leaves John Sobel as the only American still in the second annual indoor tournament which quickly has become the Soviet Union's premiere sports event. Sobel and his Czechoslovak

partner Josef Cihak easily won their match 6-4 .6-3 on Friday against Branislav Stankovic and Richard Vogel, both from Czechoslovakia. Sobel and Cihak face Germany's Eric Jelen and Carl-Uwe Steeb in the semifianls Saturday.



bowler Richard Snell (23). However, this may well be compensated by the richness of experience of some of their The South Africans, before they were ostracised, could claim almost equal, if not at time some what superior, sta-



crowds. Though out of reckoning in the last 20 years, they have not been totally starved of international exposure. Cricket was very much alive in the diamond and gold-rich whitedominated country where rebel teams from England Australia, the West Indies and even Sri Lanka were lured in. Five of their present squad, namely Clive Rice, Jimmy Cook, Allan Donald, Peter Kirsten and Keppler Wessels have current experience of English county cricket; the last named had also played 24 Tests between 1982-85, having qualified for Australia, and had the distinction of scoring the team are unknown to us. May be a lot of surprises are in store for us. The team under the guidance of coach Mike Proctor, one of the greatest allrounders in recent years, cannot, and should not, be un-

Jimmy Cook, having the credit of scoring more than 2000 runs in the last three consecutive English county seasons, leads the batting lineup. He will have Keppler Wessels, Clive Rice, Peter Kirsten, and Manday Yachad to follow. The main strength of the South Africans lies in having four able allrounders: Clive Rice, Peter Kirsten, Adrien Kuiper and Brian McMillan. The young promising Craig Matthews may claim to be the fifth. The bowling will be led by Allan Donald, who is recognised as the fastest white bowler in English county ericket and it was mainly due to his bowling efforts that

Kuiper, McMillan and, course, Rice, who was considered by Imran Khan to be of his class and the likeness between the two, almost in every respect, will be worth watching. Peter Kristen will provide spinning support. They have two left-arm spinners in Clive Eksteen and Tim Shaw. David Richardson, the wicket-keeper, is no rabbit with the bat. Clive Rice, the veteran both in age and experience has the capability of leading from the front. He had the distinction of leading Nottinghamshire to the county

championship in 1985

Though quite a few of the play-

ers are of unknown quality and

our estimate about them can-

not be backed up by statistical details, I will not be surprised if some them put up some spirited performance. There is hardly any doubt that the Springboks will be too eager to celebrate their come back with spirited performances. All of them, except Wessels, lack Test exposure, but it can not be said that they lack international exposure. The rebel tours allowed them the taste of it albeit intermittently. Whatever is the result in the three-match series, South Africa's keenness to do well will be there to make the matches interesting and worth following. All the cricketing

countries will be focusing their watchful eyes on this new entrant and may be some of them shall have to make a reappraisal of their possibilities in the coming World Cup.



history-making one-day clash between India and the visiting South Africans.-Star file photo