Pakistan in Sharjah final

None of the Pakistani

bowlers made an impact on

SHARJAH, United Arab Emirates, Oct 23 : Pakistan overcame a defiant India by four runs in semi-dar kness on Wednesday to enter the Wills Trophy final here.

reports AFP. Pakistan elected to bat first and ran up the tournament's highest score of 257 for seven in 50 overs, after the match began 35 minutes late due to

india undefeated till then in the three-nation tournament, made a spirited chase before falling five runs short of the victory target.

The two Asian rivals meet once again in Friday's final to decide the winners purse of 30,000 US Dollars.

Pakistan had assured itself of making the final in the morning itself by securing a better run rate than the West Indies, but the win was a big morale-booster before the big game on Friday.

Left-handed opener Aamer Sohail, one of the three players flown in to reinforce the injury-hit squad, hammered a suppers 91 which included four boundaries and a six.

He put on 86 for the second another replacement Zahid Fazal and 91 for the third with Salim Malik, to richly reserve the 1,000 dollar man of the match award.

Pakistan's score was boosted by a furious 43 off 24 balls by skipper Imran Khan which helped the side add 40 runs in the last three overs.

Those runs made the difference in the end as India fell through despite being happily placed at one stage when they needed 39 off the last six overs with seven wickets in hand.

The final five overs were played in fading light, which made the sighting of the ball difficult for both batsmen and fielders.

Under the tournament rules which state that a match should be played over 50 overs even if there is a delayed start, the umpires had no option of calling off play despite protests from the Indian batsmen.

Indian vice captain Ravi Shastri led the Indian chase All-white S African team likely

on merit and would probably

Ramsamy, chairman of the

National Olympic Committee

of South Africa, said on

The International Cricket

Springboks to

play in W Cup

Africa were given the go ahead

by the International Cricket

Council (ICC) today to take part

in the World Cup in Australia

and New Zealand next February

Council decides in the United

Arab Emirates on Wednesday

whether to end South Africa's

21-year exclusion from inter-

national cricket by allowing it

to compete in the tournament,

to be held in a Australia and

Zealand he shared the confi-

dence of South African cricket

chief Alt Bacher, who has pre

dicted a "historic" day when

the outcome of the vote is

discreet lobbying to ensure

that South Africa is allowed to

participate in the World Cup

in cricket. So far we've been

getting over positive, very

friendly and very sympathetic

New Zealand Cricket

hearings to our case," he said.

chairman Peter McDermott

said on Wednesday he was

confident South Africans would

be readmitted to world cricket

at the Sharjah Meeting.

"I myself have been doing

Ramsamy told Radio New

New Zealand next year.

known.

and March, reports Reuter.

SHARJAH, Oct 23: South

Wednesday, reports Reuter.

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WELLINGTON,

Oct 23: South

Africa's team for

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no black, Sam

World Cup

with a polished 77 while Sachin Tendulkar struck a superb 49 of 38 balls studded with three fours and two sixes.

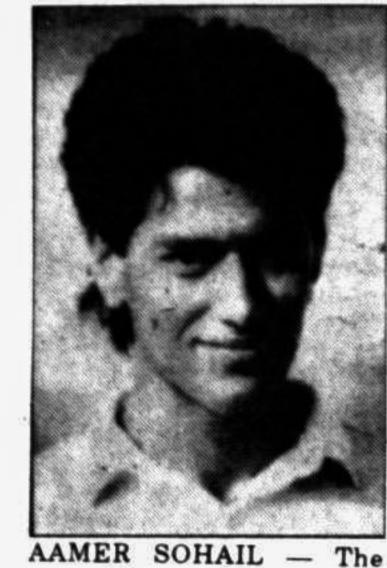
the left-right opening combination of Shastri and Vinod Kambli who took runs almost at will. The first fifty came up in

the 11th over with Shastri on 22 and the more adventurous Kambli on 33. India were 43 for no loss

when Shastri reached his individual fifty in the 22nd over with the help of six boundaries.

The Indian vice captain celebrated the feat by swinging off spinner Akram Raza over long-on for six, a shot which posted the 100-stand from 23

Shastri had made 77 in a score of 124 when he



man of the match

Azharuddin and manger Ashok Mankad were not available for comment, but another team official U. Prabhakar Rao lashed out at the tournament rules which allowed play to go on under bad light.

"It was no joke out there trying to face two of the world's fastest bowlers, Wasim Akram and Wagar Younis in conditions where sighting the ball was difficult. I am happy none of the batsmen were injured

"If the start was delayed by half an hour, the overs should been proportionally but the tournament officials insisted on playing the full 50 overs".

SCOREBOARD Pakistan

Amir Sohail c Tendulkar b

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Extras (5 leg byes, 1 bye, 16 wides, 7 no-balls): 29 Total (50 overs completed)

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attempted a big swipe off Younus and found his off-stump uprooted, to give Pakistan a much-needed break:

Indian captain Mohammad

"It was just not cricket, we were in the final anyway and did not want our batsmen to get hurt, but the umpires failed to accept to the request to call off play, for bad light.

Speaking to Radio New

Zealand from Sharjah,

McDermott said "I would be

very surprised if the meeting

isn't relatively brief and

doesn't result in South African

on political considerations

there is no impediment to

South Africa being admitted to

the World Cup. They can be

slotted in," McDermott added.

Zealand, said merit ought to be

the only criterion in picking

the cricket team, it did not

matter that the team would

probably the exclusively white.

that it is non-racial it is repre-

senting South Africa and South

African cricket has got its

some countries, such as

Pakistan, to sanction South

Africa's involvement was un-

cricket from Nov 1

Sports Reporter

summer cricket tournament,

the curtain raiser of the

Bangladesh cricket season, will

begin from November 1 at

was taken yesterday by the

tournament committee at the

office of the Bangladesh

Soviet Alpinists

climb Cho-oyu

Soviet Alpinists have scaled

Mount Cho-oyu, the world's

sixth tallest mountain, the

Ministry of Tourism said

Wednesday, reports AP.

KATMANDU, Oct 23: Five

Cricket Control Board BCCB.

The decision in this regard

The thirteenth Damal

Damal summer

He said the reluctance of

house in order."

Dhaka Stadium.

"What is important for us is

Ramsamy, visiting New

"I would assume that based

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Kapil 91

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Prabhakar	9	0	62	1
Tendulkar	6	0	20	0
Srinath	8	0	55	2
Kumble	7.	0	35	0
Raju	10	0	48	1
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Ahmed b Salim Malik 49

Kapil Dev 1bw Akram 0

M Prabhakar not out 19

Extras: (1 bycs, 3 leg byes, 12

Total: (in 50 overs complete)

Fall of Wickets: 1/124; 2/133;

3/134; 4/219; 5/219; 6/240.;

But Ramsamy applauded the

tough line taken by New

Zealand and Australia on the

readmission of South African

Rugby Union teams to interna-

announced last month they

were abandoning plans to tour

South Africa because of a lack

of action in unifying the three

Hindu militants

dig up Wankhede

Stadium pitch

Indian government on Tuesday

approved a tour by Pakistani

cricketers later this month

but protesters dug up a pitch

in Bombay in an attempt to

stop the opening match,

proposal by the Board of

Control for Cricket in India to

invite the Pakistan side for a

of

The government approved a

Bombay cricket officials said

activists of the right wing

Hindu Shiv Sena party had dug

up the pitch a the city's

Wankhede stadium and poured

oil on it to make it unplayable.

cricketers belong to an enemy

general strike in Bombay on

October 28, the day of the

have fought three wars since

their independence from

Britain in 1947. New Delhi

accused Islamabad of arming

separatist militants in the

Indian states of Punjab and

Jammu and Kashmir, charges

Pakistan denies.

Shiv Sena says the touring

India and Muslim Pakistan

one-day

NEW DELHI, Oct 23: The

Australia and New Zealand

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reports Reuter.

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duct the match.

Indian sprinters stay on course

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 23: India kept up hopes of collecting more medals as Ashwini Nachappa and the men's relay team moved into the finals of their respective events while China added another gold to their haul of 20 on the final day of the ninth Asian Track and Field Championships here this morning, reports PTI.

The Indian relay team comprising D K Malviya, P V Raju, Vijayakumaran and Arjun Deviah finished third in the 4x100 relay with a timing of 3:13.41. Japan and Thatland took the first and second places respectively.

Ashwini Nachappa qualified for the final of the 200 metres event after coming in third in the semifinals. China collected one more

gold in the short put event for men with a distance of 18.11

India's S D Eashen ended up fourth with a throw of 17.46 meters. All the finals are scheduled

for this evening before the five-day meet is declared closed. The tenth ATF

Championship is scheduled to be held in Hiroshima.

ATF medals table KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 23: Here are the medal standings at the end of the 9th Asian Track and Field Championships Wednesday: Countries

Na San Carlo San Car	G	S	В
China	24	11	2
Japan	4	7	12
Qatar	4	3	1
South Korea	3	2	3
India	2	4	2
Malaysia	1	1	1
North Korea	1	0	1
Thailand	0	5	3
Taiwan	0	2	- 5
Burma	0	2	2
Pakistan	0	2	1
Syria	0	1	2
Kuwait	0	0	2
Bahrain	0	0	1
Indonesia	0	0	1
Srianka	0	^	-

0 0 1 Danish shuttlers drub the English

LONDON, Oct 23: England were beaten for the second successive night by European team badminton champions Denmark when they went 5-0 down at the Metrodome, Barnsley, reports AFP.

England also lost 5-0 at Bletchely on Monday and are now two down in the series with two to play.

The only delay to the talented visitors, relentless march to victory was supplied by local hero Dave Wright in partnership in the mixed doubles with Sara Sankey, the Dutch Open-womens doubles champions.

They took the first game only the second captured by England out of 18 played but were still beaten in the opening contest by world mixed doubles finalist Thomas Lund and the European women's doubles champion Nettie Nielsen.

Canadian Open singles champion Steve Butler lost in straight game for the second night to German Open champion Poulerik Hoyer and England's losing 3-0 deficit came when Nick pointing and Julie Bradbury lost their mixed

Pak WAPDA

Raishahi Education Board boys maintained their domination of the national age-group swimming championships for the second

successive day at the Dhaka Stadium pool yesterday. On a day that produced two more new records - five in the meet so far - Rajshahi swimmers featured in both record-breaking feats, in the 200m backstroke for boys between 13-14 years and the 400m freestyle event for 15-

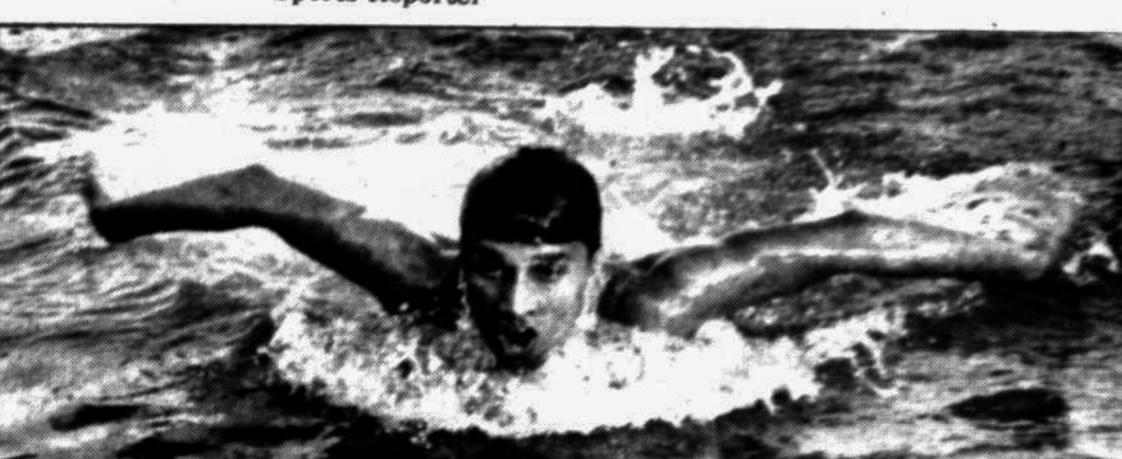
17-year-olds. After two days of competition in the three-day championships being held under the aegis of the Bangladesh Swimming Federation. Rajshahi Board led the medals table with 11 golds, nine silvers and 11 bronzes.

Pabna DSA were placed a distant second with a haul of six golds, four silvers and three bronzes. Comilla remained in third spot with three golds, one silver and three bronzes.

Shahin Hossain of Rajshahi Board, who won two golds and a silver without creating a new mark on the inaugural day Tuesday, finally wrote name in the record books by shattering the 400m freestyle record for 15-17 year-old boys yesterday with a timing of 4min 51.09 seconds. This is more than seventeen seconds quicker than the previous record of 5min 8.64 seconds set by Bangladesh Krira Shikkhya Protisthan's Muniruzzaman last year. On Tuesday Shahin had won

the 100m and 200m freestyle





Shahin Hossain of Rajshahi Education Board, who won two golds a silver and a bronze on the inaugural day Tuesday, finally set a new national record in the 400m freestyle for 15-17 year-old boys yesterday at the Dhaka Stadium pool. - Star photo

golds and the 400m individual medley silver. In addition, Shahin also won the bronze in the 200m backstroke to have a haul of five medals in his age

The 400m freestyle silver medal went to Comilla's double gold medallist Tuesday Md. Omar Faruque who clocked 5:12.14 secs. Md. Mahbubur Rahman of Pabna DSA took the

Masud Rana of Rajshahi Education Board set the other record of the day in the 200m backstroke event 13-14 year olds. His timing was 2 minute 48.63 seconds - two seconds quicks than the previous set by Mohammed Selim of Comilla Education Board in 1986.

Masud Rana also won two bronze medal - in 50 metre freestyle and 200 metre individual medley - yesterday.

Md Omar Faruque of Comilla DSA, who won a silver in 400m freestyle for 15-17year olds, kept up his challenge by grabbing a sold in 200 metre individual medley with a

MASUD RANA backstroke record for 13-14 year olds. timing of 2:43:19 secs. Farooq

on Tuesday set a new second in 200m backstroke. Pabna DSAs, ace-swimer

Abdul Hamid, who won two

excuse to beat up immigrant

workers, and Berlins bid for

the 2000 Olympics has

1936 Games, which the Nazis

arounsed memories of the

gold medals - 100m and 200m freestyles - on Tuesday, stole the limelight with another slittering performances. He captured three gold medals yesterday. The events were 100 metre butterfly for 13-14year olds, 50 metre freestyle and 200 metre individual medley.

A total of 215 swimmers representing 22 teams are competing in this year's championship.

Today is the concluding day of the competition.

MEDALS TABLE

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Rajshahi DSA	0	0	1	
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Becker thinks Berlin should drop out

BERLIN, Oct 23: Tennis star Boris Becker says Berlin should drop its bid to host the Olympic Games in the year 2000 to avoid a dangerous revival of German Nationalism, reports Reuter.

"I think it would be better to give the Games to Berlin in 30 years time," Becker told Tuesday's Berliner Kurier newspaper, delivering another blow to German hopes to stage

Becker, chosen by the Berlin as one of its Olympic ambassadors, criticised other German sportsmen for arousing nationalism by blindly jumping on the Berlin band-

"Everyone's shouting "Deutschland ueber alles (Germany over everything)," he

things more sceptically. This behaviour arousnes dangerous emotions."

for the last two months by the biggest wave of racist violence since Hitler's Third Reich,

with neo-Nazis setting fire to hostels for political asylumscekers.

Rightist thugs have used German soccer victories as an

NEW YORK, Oct Wimbledon champion Michael Stich of Germany and US Open

champion Stefan Edberg of Sweden have agreed to play in December's six-million-dollar Munich Grand Slam Cup tennis tournament, the director of the event said on Monday, reports Reuter.

Tournament director Bill Dennis said in a telephone interview from Salisbury. Maryland, that three other Americans — French Open champion Jim Courier, former French Open winner Michael Chang and Wimbledon semifinalist David Wheaton - have accepted a berth in the 16player field for the December

Ivan Lendl of Czechoslovakia also has entered the chase for the sport's biggest winner's check of two million dollars.

Last year's winner American Petre Sampras, and compatriot runner-up Brad Gilbert did not qualify this

Qualification for the tournament is based on results at each of the year's four Grand Slam events - The Australian, French and US Opens and Wimbledon.

October 31st to accept a berth according to Dennis.

Boris Becker, who skipped last year's inaugural tournament. and French Open finalist Andre Agassi have not yet agreed to play in the Munich

Though 39-year-old Jimmy Connors said two weeks ago he would not play because of family plans, Dennis said he still hopes the American star will

used to promote the master Berlin, which dismissed its

Olympic manager last month for incompetence, adopted Becker and former German e soccer captain Franz Beckenbauer as sponsors for its bid. Both have complained they were never asked in ad-

The city faces competition from Sydney, Brasilia, Beijing, the British industrial city of Manchester, Copenhagen, Milan and Istanbul.

Although German politicians firmly support Berlins' bid, there are many who say the money would be better spent on reviving the depressed eastern half of the city, which suffers from high unemployment after 40 years of communist rule.

"Berlin, especially in the east, has got other problems,

"It doesn't matter there whether Berlin gets the Olympic games or not - people need jobs and food," he

Cuba's bid to commercialise sport

HAVANA, Cuba Oct 23: Cuba's state sports sector, deprived of support and coo-

peration from former East European allies, is now seeking to finance itself by selling coaching services, training facilities and publicity right for hard currency, the official newspaper Granma said on Tuesday, reports Reuter.

Granma, mouthpiece of Cuba's ruling Communist Party, quoted the country's most senior sports official, Conrado Martinez, as saying a sales group would be set up to devise ways of commercialising Cuban sport.

His remarks indicated that even the country's well-development sports sector, a source of great national prode, was feeling the effects of the economic crisis caused by increasing disruption to trade and cooperation with the Soviet Union and former Communist allies in Eastern Europe.

The island has become one of the world's sporting powers though its state-funded national sports programme, championed by President Fidel Castro, which maintains strict amateur statues but selects, trains and supports individual athletes and national teams to high international standards.

Martinez, who is president of the National Sports Institute, said the money-making schemes being considered included contracting out specialised sports coaches to other countries and offering training facilities for foreign teams and athletes in Cuba.

Other options were selling publicity rights for sporting

events, sports articles, sports computer information and medical services and organising scientific evens focusing on

But Martinez, stressed the measures would not include hiring out Cuban sportsmen and women to foreign teams or charging the Cuban public entry fees to attend sports competitions, which are currently free on the island.

"That is against our principles," he said.

"We'll never seek a single cent that way because in Cuba it is the national which makes the athlete, which discovers him or her, feeds them, clothes them and trains them so that he or she can represent the nation and not a foreign team or another country.d

" Martinez added. Williams stops Delgado



Va. Oct 23: International Boxing Federation light heavyweight cha-

mpion Charles Williams threw three sharp rights to the head of Fred Delgado to score a second-round technical knockout Saturday, and renewed his call to unify the division, reports Thomas Hearns holds the

World Boxing Association title and Lotic Mwale of Zambia is the World Boxing Council "I would love to get into a

Hearns, but I know that's out

of the picture right now," Williams said. "He don't want no part of me. I guess I'll just keep fighting everyone in the top 10 for now.

He paused for a second

then added, "And maybe

sometime I'll get up enough

nerve to go up in weight and

challenge (heavyweight champion) Evander Holyfield." Williams dominated both rounds of the fight after sixthranked Delgado threw a sweeping right hand that

opening bell. About a minute into the first unification with Thomas round, Williams landed a combination to Delgado's head that

glanced off Williams at the

prompted referee Af Rothenberg to give a standing eight count.

Delgado fought off his grog giness and appeared to be making a comeback late in the first round with a series of body punches and sweeping head shots that circled around Williams' gloves.

But Williams connected to the head again and Delgado was just hanging on at the end of the round.

The second round resumed with Delgado racing across the ring. This time, the fighters butted heads, leaving Williams with a slight cut over his left



Start of the 200m individual medley for 13-14 year-olds in the national age-group swimming championships at the Dhaka Stadium swimming pool yesterday. - Star photo

K L Jubilee High School defeated Rifles Public High School in the semifinal of the fourth Bata schools handball tournament at Outer Stadium handball court yesterday. - Star photo doubles.

booters arrive today A 16-member Pakistan WAPDA team will arrive in Dhaka today (Thursday) afternoon to participate in the first leg match of the 11th Asian

> ports AP. The first-leg match between Pakistan WAPDA and Dhaka Mohammedan SC will be held on October 26 (Saturday) either at the Dhaka National Stadium or the Mirpur National Stadium.

The return-leg match will be held in Lahore, Pakistan on November 1.

Club soccer championship, re-

The winners of the first leg will take on the winners of the match between Kerala Police of India and the champion team of the Maldives. Arman Ali Shah will lead

the Pakistani Squad while Mohammed Aslam is the manager-cum-coach. The 14 players are: Mohammedan Zobair, Abid Hosaain, Tahir Agha, Imtiaz

Butt, Mohammed Arshad.

Tahir Pervez, Fayaz Khan.

Sharafat Ali, Khalilur Rahman, Mateen Akhtar, Barat Ali, Asgar Ali, Altaf Hosain and Umer Daraz. Three That Referees and a match commissioner from India will arrive here to con-

Besides, in the first-leg match of the second Asian Cup-Winners Cup tournament Dhaka Abahani KC will take on Calcutta East Bengal in Dhaka on November 3.

Both tournaments will be played on a home-away basis.

sport's most prestigious event.

wagon.

"I'm not one of those. I see

Germany has been plagued

10-15 event in Munich.

The qualifiers have until

Australian Open champion

said Becker.