

# Brothers win without sheen

Sports Reporter



Federation Cup champs Brothers Union did not seem to have benefited much from the inclusion of the three Iraqi players to their two-one victory against Agrani Bank yesterday at the

federer covered the spot kick coolly, 1-0. Unlike most of the 'small' teams Agrani Bank refused to be cowed down and started probing the yawning gaps in the Brothers defence where the bearded Iraqi Saad Ibrahim appeared too slow. The other two Iraqis, Saad

push to score a goal which he did not deserve fully 1-1. Saad Wahed nodded the match winning goal for Brothers 15 minutes into the second-half after Rupu had sent a lovely, measured pass from the right wing 2-1. Agrani Bank ran out of gas in



Brothers Union's coach Selim briefs one of the Iraqi players before the start of the match against Agrani Bank at Mirpur Stadium yesterday. — Star photo

Mirpur Stadium. Bankers who tasted their first defeat in this year's First Division football league as they showed no sign of nerves against their rejuvenated rivals. The Gopibagh side which shot ahead with a tenth minute penalty goal were seriously challenged by their unfancied opponents who deservedly drew level and threatened to surge ahead any time but poor finishing proved to be their bane.

Brothers began in an aggressive vein and launched a several abortive sorties before an Agrani Bank defender fouled Brothers' Ripon inside the prohibited zone and referee Munirul Islam pointed to the dreaded spot. Rouf Babul the lanky Brothers de-

Rahim and Saad Wahed (the latter came as a substitute) played upfront. Although skilled neither seemed to be in the class Samir Shakir or Karim Mohammad Alawi—the two Iraqi World Cuppers who came to play for local Abahani Kria Chakra few years back.

Agrani Bank wingers Jahangir and Sattar teamed up with striker Jamal to harass the Brothers defenders and got the elusive equaliser in the 33rd minute. Outside right Jahangir sent a tantalising cross from the right across the Brothers goalmouth which had goalie Ponir beaten all ends up. Sattar following the trajectory well nodded it past Ponir towards the goal and Jamal pursuing the goal bound ball gave it the final

the second-half and Brothers missed a few chances. Once Manik let fly a terrific left footer from top of the box that went inches over the bar.

Brothers who have lost three points so far now have 19 points from eleven matches after yesterday's win while Bank remain at 13 from eleven outings.

Farashganj Sporting Club collected two vital points by beating Wanderers Club one nil in the first match of the day. Ratan scored the all important goal in the first half after being freed by a fine through from Hira.

Farashganj collection rose to nine from eleven matches while Wanderers remain at six from eleven matches.

# GMCC canter past PWD

Sports Reporter

Greater Mymensingh Cricket Club, perked up by the fine batting form of their batsmen, walked away with an effortless victory against Public Works Department winning by seven wickets in the Navana Premier Division cricket super league at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Put into bat, the PWD batsmen, with the exception of Shri Lankan Romesh Kaluwirathana, fared poorly against the tight GMCC attack and could manage only 184 for nine wickets from 45 overs.

Romesh top scored with 61 off 92 balls.

Hamin, the other Shri Lankan, made 31 and all-rounder Shaheen chipped in with 33.

The GMCC spin trio of Ramchand Goala, Lipu and Rubel spun PWD to doom by sharing six of the nine wickets to fall. Offie Rubel was the pick of the lot with figures of two for 28, Lipu took two for 36 and the ageless Goala captured two for 33.

PWD offspinner Fazlu removed three GMCC batsmen for 71 but fine batting by Shri Lankan Sharath and skipper Gazi Ashraf Hossain Lipu saw GMCC home and dry in 42 overs with seven wickets to spare.

Sharath was at the kill with 65 not out made off 78 balls. The right-handed batsman, who bowls gentle off-cutters, also hit eight boundaries. Lipu stroked all around the wicket pleasantly to score an unbeaten 53 with the help of five fours.

PWD's long serving player Fazlu caused a false alarm in the GMCC camp with his fastish offspin to finish with fine figures of three for 16.

# Hockey heist

NEW DELHI, Mar 14 :

Police arrested 11 hockey players of the Indian Air Force (IAF) after they thrashed and robbed fellow passengers during a train journey, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported today, reports AFP.

The arrests were made in the western city of Nasik on Friday after the players attacked more than 25 passengers of the Karnataka Express with hockey sticks as well as knives "without any provocation," police said.

The airmen, who boarded the train at New Delhi, also looted the passengers of their cash and locked some of them up in the train's toilets until they were rescued by the police, the news agency said.

# Philadelphia's chances look slim



PHILADELPHIA, Mar 14: Philadelphia's chances of a being site for the World Cup soccer games in

1994 seem slim, according to a city leader involved in the negotiations, reports AP. Philadelphia was one of 19 sites placed on a "priority" consideration list out of 27 that originally bid to become one of eight to 12 cities to be used for the month-long, 52-game quadrennial championship. Those sites will be announced March 23, US organisers have said.

The committee reportedly already has negotiated stadium arrangements with at least 15 of the 19 sites. Philadelphia was not among them.

"Officially, we haven't been told anything," said Tom Muldoon, president of the Convention and Visitor Bureau, which oversees the

Philadelphia Sports Congress, the primary bid sponsor.

"What we've heard, kind of from the grapevine, is that they're not picking any (Major League) baseball stadiums. We've heard, roundabout... we're not going to make the final cut," Muldoon told The Philadelphia Inquirer.

The Philadelphia Phillies of MLB's National League have used Veterans Stadium, the site proposed in Philadelphia, since it opened in 1971. Major League Baseball has an April to October schedule in the United States, thus conflicting with the June 17-July 17 dates for the World Cup.

Local organisers recently asked World Cup USA 1994, the national organiser for the tournament, whether Philadelphia should take the time to fill out the lengthy forms necessary for a stadium contract, Muldoon said. They were told they could wait until

the March 23 announcement, then fill out the forms if the city was selected.

Philadelphia has proposed holding three first-round games at Veterans Stadium. The games would have brought \$40 million to the area, according to a study by the Visitors Bureau.

Jim Trecker, a spokesman for World Cup USA, told the Inquirer on Wednesday that 13 sites had signed stadium contracts and others were close to agreements. He declined to comment further.

An apparent snag in Philadelphia's bid was the availability of Veterans Stadium, according to the newspaper. Phillies president Bill Giles said his team could take a 17-day road trip, which would make available the stadium. However, Muldoon said FIFA and World Cup 1994 wanted a month.

Also, a temporary grass

pitch would have to be put down over the artificial turf field that exists now. Although that also is true for some other contenders such as Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, NJ, those stadiums would be available for longer periods of time.

Other finalist sites are Atlanta; Foxboro, Mass.; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Dallas; Denver; Los Angeles; Pasadena, Calif; San Francisco; Stanford, Calif; New Haven, Conn; New Orleans; Miami; Orlando, Fla; Tampa, Fla, and Washington.

Of the 19 cities under consideration, only Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium and San Francisco's Candlestick Park play home to Major League Baseball teams.

# Dear's ton in Bima's win

Sports Reporter

A brilliant century by Dear and intelligent bowling by Litu helped Sadharan Bima Kria Sangtha record a 23-run victory over Bangladesh Railways in the last match of the Milnars First Division cricket relegation league at the Mirpur Pallabi ground yesterday.

The match, however, was of academic interest only since three teams—Ajax Sports Club, Young Pegasus and Dhaka Wanderers Club—have been already relegated to the Second Division league.

Electing to bat, Sadharan Bima made 208 for the loss of seven wickets from their quota of 45 overs with Dear getting a fine 110 off 126 deliveries, a knock that included nine hits to the fence.

In reply, Railways were dismissed for 185 in 43.4 overs, thanks to Litu of Bima, who wrecked havoc in opponents' batting taking four wickets for 40.

# Dhanmondi return to Div-I cricket

Sports Reporter

Dhanmondi Club have moved into the First Division cricket league from Group B of the Rank-Xerox Second Division cricket league while the Group A championship will be decided in a play-off match between Evergreen and Shantinagar Club B.

Dhanmondi Club, who collected full eight points from four super league matches, recorded an impressive four-wicket victory over Orient Sporting Club at the Mohakhalt T&T ground yesterday.

Sent into bat, Orient were booked for a paltry 93 in 27.5 overs with Anwar getting 21, Mamun 14 and Joy 10.

In reply, Dhanmondi scored 94 for six wickets in 23.1 overs with Pappu getting an unbeaten 43 and Atia 19.

Evergreen Club registered a massive seven-wicket victory over Gandaria Cricketers at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium in the other match of the day.

Evergreen and Shantinagar Club B now have six points from four super league matches each.

The winner of the two, which will be decided in the play-off match on March 17 at the Dhaka Stadium, will be promoted to the First Division league next year.

# Tanima suffers yet another setback

Sports Reporter

Reigning champion Tanima Parveen suffered another setback in her defence of the title she won last year when she allowed her less fancied opponent Afana Parveen Nira, playing with black, to force a draw yesterday in the 13th national women's chess championship at the National Sports Council's chess room.

With the games decided yesterday—the fifth day of the ten-player, nine-round Swiss league competition—both Tanima and former national

champion veteran Rani Hamid are jointly leading the points table, running up four and a half points each.

Another title aspirant, Masuda Khanam, playing white, clinched victory over Rokshana Gulshan Nikkon in the 46th move while both Afroza Khanam Babec and Hamida Rahman drew their matches yesterday with Syeda Shabana Parveen Nipa and Zakia Sultana respectively.

In the other match of the day, Rani Hamid, who earlier

lost to Tanima Parveen on March 10, scored a facile win over Jahanara Haq Runu who played with black, in the 27th move.

Standings	M	W	D	L	P
Tanima	6	3	3	0	4½
Rani Hamid	6	4	1	1	4½
Masuda Begum	5	4	0	1	4
Afroza Khanam	5	3	1	1	3½
Rokshana Gulshan	6	3	1	2	3
Shabana Parveen	6	2	2	2	3
Jahanara Haq Runu	6	1	3	2	2½
Razia Sultana	6	0	3	3	1½
Afana Parveen	6	0	2	4	1
Hamida Rahman	6	0	2	4	1

# Navratilova, Nelson settle out of court



DALLAS, Mar 14: Martina Navratilova and her former live-in companion signed a secret settlement Friday that ends their "palimony" suit, the tennis star's attorney said, reports AP.

Gary DeShazo of Austin, Texas, said the terms of the settlement are confidential because "everybody wanted the secrecy."

"They made a deal they can both live with," DeShazo said Friday night. "I think it's OK. It's a case that should have been resolved earlier."

Judy Nelson, 45, and Navratilova, 34, signed a non-

marital cohabitation agreement in 1986.

In the agreement, Nelson was to get half of the estimated \$5 million to \$9 million earned during their relationship. But Nelson contended in the lawsuit that the nine-time Wimbledon women's champion broke the pact.

Nelson and Navratilova lived in Fort Worth from 1984 through 1989, and then moved to Aspen, Colorado. The couple's relationship ended last year.

DeShazo said mounting legal expenses helped facilitate Friday's settlement. The pair had been working to resolve the lawsuit for about eight

months, he said.

The trial, scheduled for April 6, will not take place if a state district judge in Tarrant County dismisses the lawsuit, he said.

Navratilova told KXAS-TV station in Fort Worth that she settled because of legal expenses.

"It's too costly, and now I can just get on with everything," she said. "The lawyers are laughing all the way to the bank."

During pre-trial hearings in September and October, the women said they agreed on financial terms of a settlement. But they remained apart on other issues, including Nel-

son's refusal to agree to a non-publicity clause that would stop her from selling her story.

The KXAS-TV report said Nelson and Sandra Faulkner are working on a book that Nelson said is not a "tell-all."

"This book I would have written if Martina and I were together still," she told the station. "I think she'll love it."

"It's a love story. It talks about the relationship. It talks somewhat about the trial," Faulkner said.

Navratilova's response: "Apparently, it's only about our relationship and that has been pretty well-documented, so I don't know what there could be of more interest to the general public. But Judy feels the need to talk about it, so I'm not going to stop her."

Navratilova's malpractice suit against her former attorney Jerry Loftin is still scheduled for this summer. The tennis star contended she suffered mental anguish and a loss of business opportunities because of the case.

She claimed that the pact she signed was not what she believed it was at the time. She blamed Loftin for failing to provide adequate legal advice.

"It's finished now and I can just get on with my tennis," Navratilova said in a joint statement issued with Nelson. "I feel really relieved. I feel really happy," Nelson said. "Things are better for both of us. We want to be friends."

Nelson, a 45-year-old divorced mother of two, began living with Navratilova on July 10, 1984, and travelling with her to tournaments around the world. The two met at a Fort Worth tennis tournament that year.

Earlier in the case it was reported that Navratilova had offered one million dollars to Nelson if she would agree not to publish any books about their relationship.

Navratilova testified during an emotional four-day hearing on the case last September that she bought cars, clothes and even a house for Nelson and her two sons.

Nelson told reporters the affair ended when Navratilova began a friendship with another woman, whom she did not identify.

# Kasparov unbeaten champion



LINARES, Mar 14: World champion Garry Kasparov of Russia clinched victory in the Linares chess tournament on Friday with a last-round win over Ljubomir Ljubojevic of Yugoslavia, reports Reuter.

Kasparov, the only undefeated player, won 10 of a possible 13 points in the prestigious international event. The world champion declared himself satisfied with his play during the tournament.

"I am delighted to win this tournament for the second time, especially after being beaten last year," he said.

The 1991 victor was Vasily Ivanchuk of Ukraine.

The only man to threaten Kasparov's dominance was Jan Timman of the Netherlands, but he was in danger of defeat in an adjourned game at the

end of last round play against Valery Salov, a Russian playing under the Spanish flag.

Salov was a pawn ahead when play was adjourned.

**Tyson may face more charges**

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana, Mar 14: Prosecutors in Mike Tyson's rape case said here Friday they hoped to decide before the fighter's sentencing whether additional charges should be brought, reports AFP.

Tim Morrison of the prosecutors' office said charges could still be brought over allegations that someone offered Desiree Washington, the beauty queen Tyson was convicted of rape, one million dollars to drop her charges.

All three goals were scored in the first half.

# Azad win at long last

Sports Reporter

Azad Sporting Club recorded their maiden win in the Green Delta First Division hockey league beating Dhaka Wanderers Club by two goals to one at the Hockey Stadium yesterday.

All three goals were scored in the first half.

# Jianhua faces Jun in final



LONDON, March 14: World champion Zhao Jianhua marched into his third All-England badminton final on Friday with another fine display of power and precision, reports Reuter.

The Chinese's 15-12, 15-10 semifinal victim was Indonesian Allan Budi Kusuma, whom Zhao beat to lift the world title last year.

Zhao was rarely troubled and on this week's showing

looks a first rate bet to win the All-England title he captured first in 1985 and again in 1990.

His opponent in today's final will be compatriot Liu Jun, third round conqueror of title holder Ardy Wiranata of Indonesia.

Liu, a World Championship semifinalist last year but surprisingly unseeded here, beat fellow Chinese Wu Wenka, a third seed, 12-15, 15-4.

The women's final will be between world champion,



Said Aouita (R) of Morocco jubilates with teammate after setting a new world record for the 3,000m indoor in seven minutes 36.66 sec during the international track meet in Athens on March 11. —AFP photo

# CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

**ACROSS**

- 1 Wanders restlessly
- 5 "—Na Na"
- 8 Mr. Pickens
- 12 Jai —
- 13 Large wine cask
- 14 Supper, to Juan
- 15 District in Paris
- 17 South-west wind
- 18 Film director's call
- 19 Window cross-piece
- 21 Indicate assent
- 22 Root of the taro
- 23 Actor Mineo
- 26 Turmeric
- 28 Roof edges
- 31 Oil cartel
- 33 Stammering sounds
- 35 Third son of Jacob
- 36 They might be cracked?
- 38 Give — try

**DOWN**

- 1 Festive party
- 2 Actor Baldwin
- 3 Crazy
- 4 Kind of protest
- 5 Certain theater-goer
- 6 Vandal
- 7 It might be sprained
- 8 Reputation ruiner
- 9 Remaining uneaten
- 10 Arrow poison
- 11 Loose, crumbly deposit
- 16 Rude person
- 20 Small fish
- 23 Mayday call
- 24 Psych. org.
- 25 Liberal political division
- 27 Biblical lion
- 29 One of the Gabors
- 30 Drink slowly
- 32 Waxy ointments
- 34 Become rigid
- 37 "Little — Echo"
- 39 Pickler's plant
- 42 Volcano on Martinique
- 44 Small restaurants
- 45 "Adam —"
- 46 German river
- 48 Stage direction
- 49 Tiring labor
- 50 Editor's mark
- 53 Make a boo-boo

**SEGO PAS HORA**  
**AVON OPA ADAR**  
**GOBACKON VENT**  
**AES RED EERIE**

**GAR ALA**  
**CAROM DRAGOON**  
**OBIE AIT ORNE**  
**SEASONS FACET**

**URI BUT**  
**SCANT GAS SPA**  
**TEND GOGETTER**  
**ERSE ARE EARN**  
**PEAR BEL TRIO**

**Solution time: 21 mins.**

**Yesterday's answer 9-11**

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**9-11 CRYPTOQUIP**

YV ATY VOH DMFRWTRMRTH'E  
M Y Y T F Y L V F , Y H O S U T Y  
U W M N T H L E D W V B L F A K L E  
V B F K V H F.

**Yesterday's Cryptoquip: LIMBER CONTORTIONIST, VACATIONING FROM THE CIRCUS, IS BENT ON HAVING FUN.**

**Today's Cryptoquip clue: Y equals T**

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.



Martina Navratilova (L) with Judy Nelson in happier days.