

Ma-o-Moni soccer finals from Aug 26

Sports Reporter
The final round of the Ma-o-Moni Gold Cup under-14 soccer tournament will begin from August 26 in the city. Eight DSAs, who finished as their respective zonal champions, will compete in the finals. The teams are Munshiganj, Tangail, Natore, Gaibandha, Feni, Sylhet, Jhenidah and Satkhira. The fixtures of the final round will be finalised within a couple days. A record number of 62 DSAs out of 64 of the country in eight different groups took part in the Bangladesh Football Federation organised qualifying meet that began on August 8. Expanded Programme on Immunisation (EPI) is sponsoring the competition.

Div III soccer

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Serenity prevailed at the Outer Stadium yesterday as there had been no sporting activities due to the country wide dawn-to-dusk hartal called by the opposition. Earlier on Wednesday, the Dhaka Metropolitan Football Association (DMFA) postponed the day's Third Division football fixtures. The league resumes today with Muttual Jubo Sangha facing Magbazar Kisholoya Sangha at the Outer Stadium at 3 pm and Aminbazar KS playing against Bashabo Tarun Sangha at the Mahakhali T&T ground at 4-30pm.

Nat'l youth hockey

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No matches of the 12th national youth under-18 hockey tournament were held yesterday because of the country-wide hartal called by the opposition parties. Two matches are scheduled for today. Defending champions Dhaka DSA, which had announced its team only a couple of days ago, will play the day's first match against the Rajshahi Sports Training Centre at 8 am while Rajshahi DSA will take on Mymering DSA in the second tie at 9:30 am.

BAAF secretary off to Jakarta

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Abdul Wadood Chowdhury, the general secretary of the Bangladesh Amateur Athletic Federation, left Dhaka yesterday for the Indonesian capital Jakarta to attend the administrative seminar for the secretaries of the Asian countries which starts today. General secretaries of all affiliated athletic federations of Asia are expected to participate in the three-day programme organised by the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF). Wadood is likely to return on August 25.

Foundation Open chess today

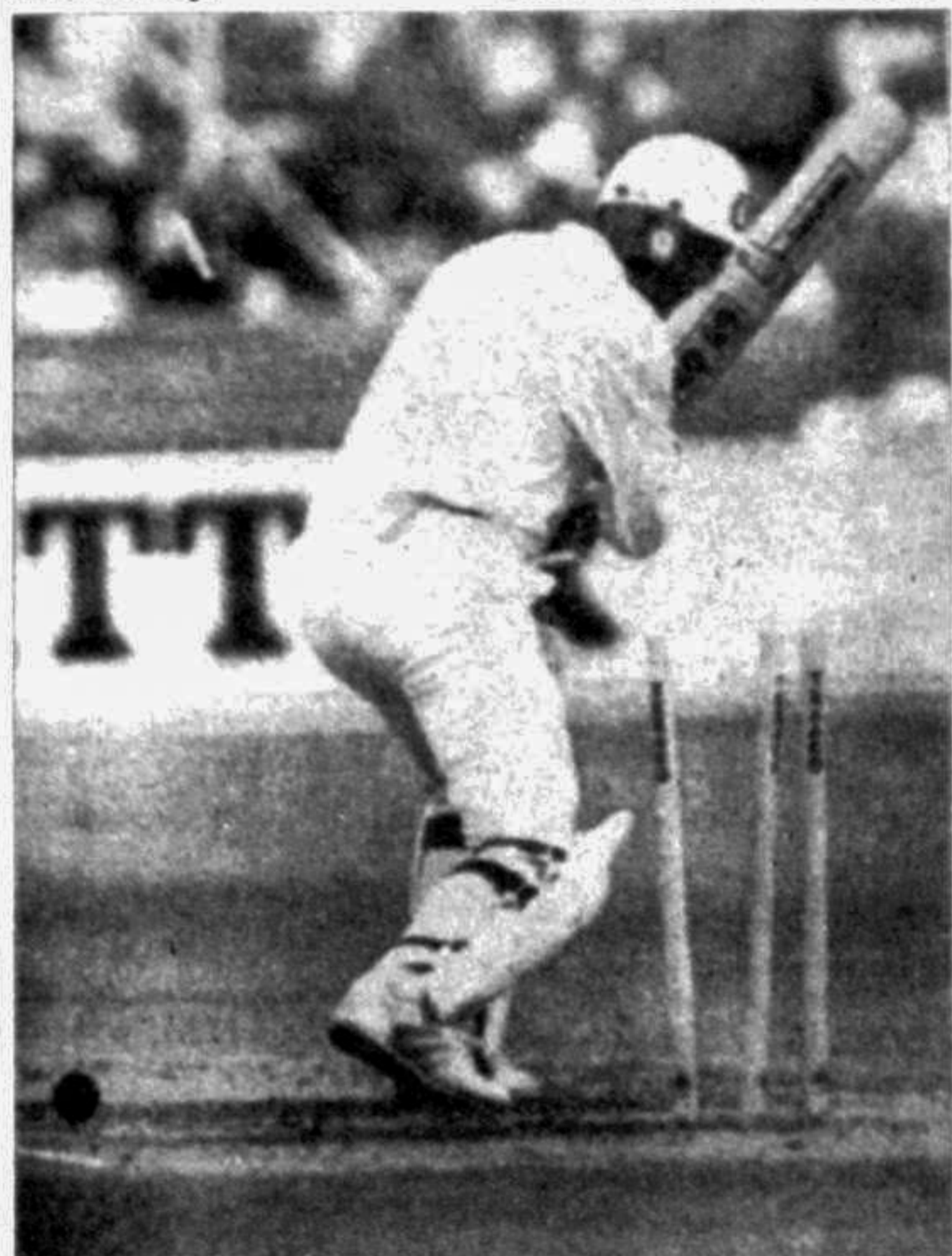
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The first Foundation Open chess competition begins today at 3 pm at the National Sports Council chess room. Over one hundred players will take part in the nine-round Swiss-league-competition organised by the Dhaka Chess Foundation.

Fernandez earns herself a gift

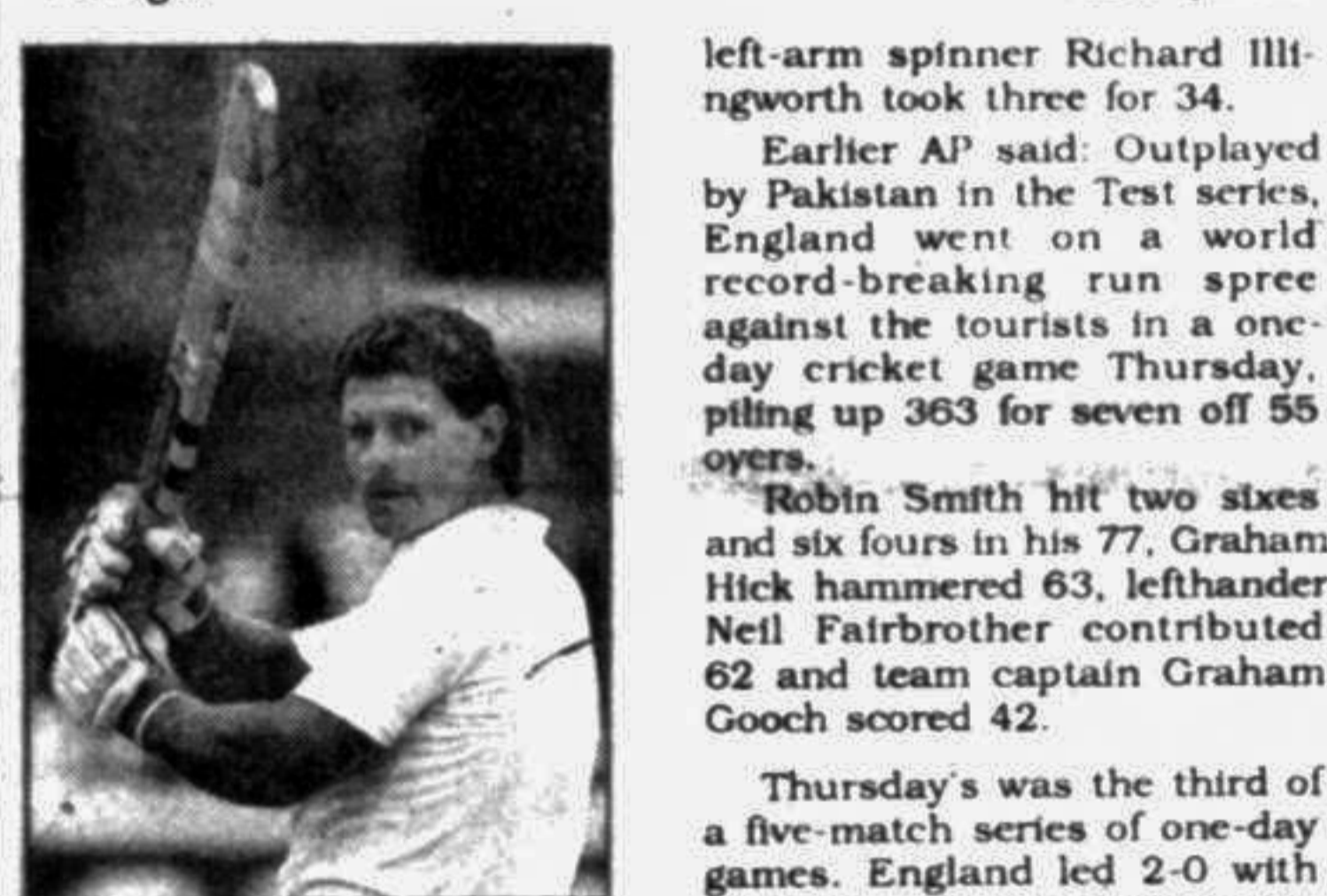
MONTREAL, Aug 20: Mary Joe Fernandez celebrated her 21st birthday Wednesday with a 6-4, 6-1 victory over Pascale Paradis of France to advance to the third round of the Matinee International Canadian Open tennis tournament, reports AP. "I didn't want to lose on my birthday," said Fernandez, the Australian Open finalist who is No 6 in world rankings. "With Pascale, you never know what to expect because she can make some unbelievable shots." In other matches, No 4 Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere had a successful debut, downing American Lisa Raymond 6-2, 6-1. Ninth-seeded Judith Wiesner of Austria dispatched Sweden's Catarina Lindqvist 6-4, 7-5. Later Wednesday, Helen Kelest was to play sixth-seeded Nathalie Tauziat of France and second-seeded Arantxa Sanchez Vicario was to meet Caroline Kuhlman. Fernandez, whose only prior appearance at the Canadian Open was in doubles in 1986, fell behind 3-2 in the second set but then overpowered Paradis with an attacking game. In the third round, Fernandez will meet 1988 Canadian Open finalist Natalia Zvereva, the 11th seed who downed qualifier Jennifer Santrock of the United States 6-3, 6-3. Ogi Fernandez and No 12 Brenda Schultz of the Netherlands were ousted earlier in the tournament.

Pakistan attack mauled for highest-ever one-day total
England clinch Texaco Trophy

Sports Reporter
England exacted sweet revenge for their defeat in the cricket World Cup final last March by registering a crushing 198-run victory over world champions Pakistan in the third one-day international at Trent Bridge, Nottingham yesterday — thus clinching the five-match Texaco Trophy with an unbeatable 3-0 margin. England had won the first two matches held earlier in May. International score of 360 for four by the West Indies against Sri Lanka at Karachi during the 1987 Reliance World Cup. Salim Malik, deputising for Miandad, top scored for Pakistan with 45 followed by wicket-keeper Rashid Latif who made 29. Ijaz Ahmed managed only 23, opener Aamir Sohail 17 and leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmed 14 not out. Phil DeFreitas picked up three wickets for 33 while



England captain Graham Gooch is clean bowled by Pak quickie Waqar Younis for 42 during yesterday's Texaco Trophy one-dayer between Pakistan and England at Trent Bridge.



Robin Smith hit two sixes and six fours in his 77. Graham Hick hammered 63, lefthander Neil Fairbrother contributed 62 and team captain Graham Gooch scored 42. Earlier AP said: Outplayed by Pakistan in the Test series, England went on a world record-breaking run spree against the tourists in a one-day cricket game Thursday, piling up 363 for seven off 55 overs. Robin Smith hit two sixes and six fours in his 77. Graham Hick hammered 63, lefthander Neil Fairbrother contributed 62 and team captain Graham Gooch scored 42.

Lankans poised for historic win

COLOMBO, Aug 20: Sri Lanka's battering of Australia has given them the chance to clinch a historic win over their visitors, who face an uphill battle to save the first Test which resumes here Friday, reports AP. Taking stock during the rest day, Australian team manager Cam Battersby admitted Sri Lanka were the only team that could win the match, while Australia would need luck to save it. "Undoubtedly, there is only one team that can win the match and here I think that is Sri Lanka. If we bat well and have the luck we can save the match," he said. Sri Lanka piled up their highest ever Test score of 547 for eight declared with skipper Arjuna Ranatunga, Asanka Gurusinha and debutant Ramesh Kaluwithana each knocking a century. Australia, who scored 256 in their first innings, were 265 runs behind after negotiating their way to 26 without loss by the end of the third day Wednesday. The visitors still face a Herculean task over the next two days to save the match, although the strip at the Sinhalese Sports Club (SSC) ground has so far been a batting paradise. Sri Lankan manager Duleep Mendis expressed guarded optimism on his team's chances, saying their biggest hurdle was the turf which so far has had few surprises for the bowlers. "Sri Lanka is in the box seat, but unfortunately for us the wicket is playing very well. I think it is going to be a

land opener hammer his bowlers for 84 in only 17 overs before they were parted. Both fell to fast bowler Waqar Younis, one of Pakistan's standout players in the Test series, who wound up with four for 73. Gooch played a ball from Waqar on to his stumps and was bowled for 42. Then Alec Stewart skied a catch to Wasim Akram and departed for 34 with the England score on 95. Smith hit out powerfully, taking 13 off one over from leg spinner Mushtaq Ahmed, while Fairbrother also moved swiftly along with cuts and sweep shots to the boundary. Just before the lunch interval, they put together 77 off 11 overs. Smith was third man out when he mistimed a shot straight into the hands of Ramiz Raja off the bowling of Aaqib Javed with the England score on 224. The score moved on to 250 when Aaqib bowled Fairbrother for 62 and, at 269, Lamb was trapped leg before wicket for 16 by Waqar. Joined by Ian Botham, Hick smacked two sixes and seven fours as the England batsmen continued to punish the bowlers. Pakistan's bowlers did not make things easier for their batsmen by bowling 39 extras, mostly wides. Botham was caught just inside the boundary by Rameez Raja off Waqar for 24 with England on 353 and Hick went four runs later when Wasim Akram uprooted his leg stump. Philip DeFreitas hit the runs that took England to the world record score and ended up five not out. Chris Lewis was unbeaten on one.

SCOREBOARD
Scoreboard in the third one-day international (55 overs) between England and Pakistan at Trent Bridge Thursday.
ENGLAND: Innings
Gooch b Waqar 42
Stewart c Akram b Waqar 34
Smith c Rameez b Aaqib 77
Fairbrother b Aaqib 62
Lamb lbw b Waqar 16
Hick b Akram 63
Botham c Rameez b Waqar 24
Lewis not out 1
DeFreitas not out 5
Extras: (b-4; lb-12, w-18, nb-5) 39
Total: (for seven wickets) 363; innings closed
Fall of wickets: 1-84; 2-95; 3-224; 4-250; 5-269; 6-353; 7-357.
Did not bat: Illingworth, G Small
Bowling: O M R W
Akram 11 0 55 1
Aaqib 11 0 55 2
Waqar 11 0 73 4
Mushtaq 11 1 58 0
Ijaz 4 0 29 0
Aamir 3 0 34 0
Mujtaba 4 0 43 0
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Judo meet withheld
The Sadharan Bima Cup judo and karate competition, scheduled to start from today, has been suspended owing to unavoidable circumstances, says a press release. A fresh date will be announced soon.

Napoli's 'no' to Sevilla
SEVILLE, Spain, Aug 20: Spanish soccer club Sevilla said on Thursday they had made Napoli an offer for Diego Maradona and hoped to sign him soon, reports Reuter. But Spanish news reports quoted the Italians as repeating that the Argentine midfielder was not for sale. Sevilla chairman Luis Cuervas said: "We're waiting for Napoli to reply to a fax we sent yesterday." "I'm optimistic. You've always got to be optimistic... I calculate everything could be finalised in 15 to 20 days." Sevilla are coached by Carlos Bilardo, who took Argentina to World Cup victory in Mexico in 1986 with Maradona as captain. The Spanish season starts on September 6. Maradona, 31, who recently completed a 15-month worldwide ban imposed by FIFA after he tested positive for cocaine, is under contract with Napoli until June 30, 1993. But he has given the club a string of conditions for his return that Napoli have rejected. Cuervas gave no details of his offer, reported to be a salary of 3 million dollars for the first year, rising to more than 5 million dollars for a second, and a 15 million dollars transfer fee.

25 teams for nat'l TT
Twenty-five teams confirmed their participation till yesterday afternoon in the 17th national table tennis championships to be held from August 26 to September 1 at the National Sports Council gymnasium.

Gastro-enteritis lays Miandad low

NOTTINGHAM, England, Aug 20: Pakistan suffered a major blow to their hopes of winning the Texaco Trophy here today when captain Javed Miandad was ruled out of third match with gastro-enteritis, reports APF. The 35-year-old batsman has spent the last 10 days in London having constant treatment and may miss the final two games on Saturday and Monday as well. Pakistan tour manager Khalid Mahmood said: "Javed is very weak. We can't rule him out of the remaining matches at Lord's and Old Trafford yet, but the signs are not good." In Miandad's absence Pakistan were captained by Salim Malik, who won the toss and put England into bat. England left out Dermot Reeve and Dominic Cork from their 13, while Pakistan brought in Ijaz Ahmed for Miandad and preferred Inzamam-ul-Haq to Shoaib Mohammad in the middle order.

Pak cricketers sue English press

LONDON, Aug 20: Pakistani cricketers touring England are suing over allegations that they cheated during the recent Test series, reports Reuter. Solicitors acting for the Pakistani Cricket Board said on Wednesday writs would be issued today over articles in the Sunday Telegraph and the Daily Mirror. The tour management and the players have been reluctantly forced to take this action to set the record straight and repair the damage done to the integrity and reputation of the individual players concerned. Pakistan Cricket Board secretary Shahid Rafi said. An article in the Sunday Telegraph, headlined "the pariahs of cricket," alleging that cheating played a prominent part in Pakistan cricket, is believed to have particularly incensed captain Javed Miandad. "The unwarranted press attack has caused considerable distress to the touring party," Rafi said. The Pakistanis also consider that fast bowlers Wasim Akram and Waqar Younis have further grounds for legal action over articles claiming they tampered with the old ball to help produce their devastating late swing. Such deliveries proved the undoing of many English batsmen during the five-Test series which Pakistan won 2-1.

Quickies make it miserable for batsmen

LONDON, Aug 20: At the time of year when the spinners normally come into their own, the quick men made it hectic for the batsmen in English County Championship on Wednesday, reports Reuter. Leaders Essex were disturbed by a fine spell from Surrey's Martin Bicknell at Colchester. Kent's Martin McCague took seven wickets. Hampshire's Jonathan Ayling claimed career best figures and Glamorgan's 17-year-old Darren Thomas became the youngest player to take five wickets on his debut in the history of the championship. Bicknell (four for 53) fired out John Stephenson, Nasser Hussain and Nick Knight in a 10-over spell which cost only 15, forcing Essex to concede a first innings lead of 63 and suffer a title setback in the absence of captain Graham Gooch. They were indebted to Jonathan Lewis' 280-minute 66 in a total of 229, spanning a labourious 107 overs. Bicknell was, however, upstaged by in-form McCague and Ayling, who both had major influences in the matches involving the sides in the queue behind Essex. McCague claimed seven for 52 after returning a career-best eight for 26 earlier this month. It put Kent, 11 points behind second placed Leicestershire before this series of games, in a match-winning position at Grace Road, were the home county reached 114 for two after following on 321 behind. Ayling took five for 12 as Middlesex, fresh from three wins in four games, were demolished for 115 in the final match at Bourne-mouth and following on, were still 118 in arrears at 153 for two. Thomas took five for 80 in 29.2 overs against Derbyshire at Chesterfield and later described his display as "unbelievable". But Derbyshire still held the initiative as Glamorgan reached 46 for one, 118 behind.

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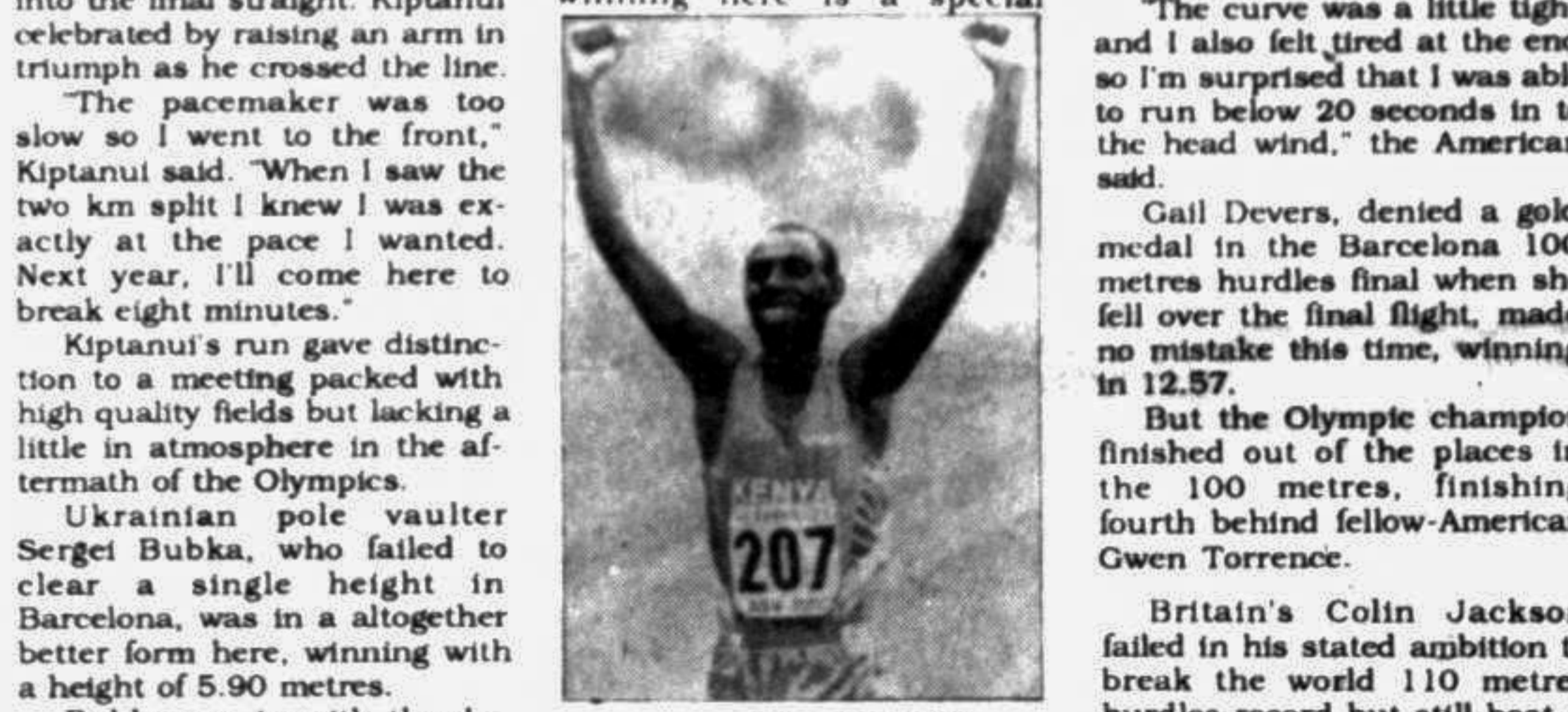
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Nouredine Morcelli (No 54) from Algeria runs during the 1,500m event at the Zurich Grand Prix on Wednesday. Morcelli won in 3 mins 30.75 sec. — AFP photo

Kiptanui sets another world mark

ZURICH, Aug 20: Kenya's world champion Moses Kiptanui shattered the world 3,000 metres steeplechase record on Wednesday with a brilliant solo run at the Zurich Grand Prix athletics meeting, reports Reuter. The 20-year-old soldier who failed to qualify for the Barcelona Olympics, clocked eight minutes 02.08 seconds to smash over three seconds off the mark of 8:05.35 set by compatriot Peter Koeh in Stockholm three years ago. Kiptanui went into Wednesday's race full of confidence after breaking Said Aoufa's 3,000 metres flat record in Cologne on Sunday. His optimism proved fully justified when he took the lead with 1,000 metres still to run and flowed over the barriers as the excited crowd roared him on. It was evident the record would be decisively broken when the tall Kenyan strode into the final straight. Kiptanui celebrated by raising an arm in triumph as he crossed the line. "The pacemaker was too slow so I went to the front," Kiptanui said. "When I saw the two km split I knew I was exactly at the pace I wanted. Next year, I'll come here to break eight minutes." Kiptanui's run gave distinction to a meeting packed with high quality fields but lacking a little in atmosphere in the aftermath of the Olympics. Ukrainian pole vaulter Sergei Bubka, who failed to clear a single height in Barcelona, was in a altogether better form here, winning with a height of 5.90 metres. Bubka ran in with the determination and bounce unexpectedly lacking in Barcelona and was sufficiently encouraged to try and better his own world mark of 6.11 metres. He failed with three creditable attempts at 6.12. Despite Kiptanui's splendid exhibition he had to share equal billing in the crowd's affections with Carl Lewis who turned on his famed acceleration late in the race to win the 100 metres.



Moses Kiptanui reached 17.72 metres in the triple jump. Morcelli had Said Aoufa's world record of 3:29.46 in his sights but could not keep up the momentum over the final 200 and finished in 3:30.75. "I made up for a race lost to tactically bad planning in Barcelona," Morcelli said. "I wanted to break the world record." Americans Kevin Young, Quincy Watts and Mike Marsh showed just how they won their gold medals in Barcelona with commanding victories in the 400 metres hurdles, 400 metres flat and 200 metres respectively. Young, the first man to break 47 seconds, tied up a little in the straight but again had too much in reserve for Jamaica's silver medalist Winthrop Graham. Watts faced a spirited challenge from silver medalist Steve Lewis but came through powerfully to win. And Marsh, who clocked 19.95 into a head win of one metre a second. "The curve was a little tight and I also felt tired at the end so I'm surprised that I was able to run below 20 seconds in to the head wind," the American said. Gail Devers, denied a gold medal in the Barcelona 100 metres hurdles final when she fell over the final flight, made no mistake this time, winning in 12.57. But the Olympic champion finished out of the places in the 100 metres, finishing fourth behind fellow-American Gwen Torrence. Britain's Colin Jackson failed in his stated ambition to break the world 110 metres hurdles record but still beat a field containing Olympic silver medalist Tony Dees, three times world champion Greg Foster and world record holder Roger Kingdom. "It was my sixth race in Zurich but the first time I was able to win," said Jackson, who finished only seventh in Barcelona. "Now I'm going to take a little break from training and hope to run some more fast times later."

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