

# Pilot fails to pilot Kalabagan

Sports Reporter

Correctness is never totally was even if you lose. Pilot, the Kalabagan wicket-keeper, proved that in the Kalabagan-Brothers match of the Damal Summer cricket tournament at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

A superb innings of unbeaten 66 by this young batsman from Rajshahi failed to keep his side into the reckoning in this tournament as Kalabagan crashed to a 39-run defeat to Brothers Union who with their second straight win in their group advance to the next round.

Kalabagan skipper Ishtiaq won the toss and asked his counterpart Nurul Abedin Nobel to make the first use of the strip.

Zahid Razzak Masum and Nobel put on 98 for the first wicket in 25.3 overs before Nobel fell for a well compiled 51 including three fours and one sixer.

Habibul Bashar Sumon left cheaply for 13 but Athar came in to give Masum the support he wanted to celebrate his first marriage anniversary. But the tall aggressive batsman got carried away, giving in to his characteristic impetuosity when he looked well set for a ton.

Masum moved away to the leg side to make room for a cut and the straight ball from Pappu knocked his stumps down the Chittagong batsman struck two fours and two sixers in his 112-ball knock.

Ather Ali, Brothers' last year's captain stroked a breezy 20 off 11 balls which included one four and a well timed sixer over square leg.

The rest of the Brothers batting caved in the face of

some tight bowling by the Kalabagan bowlers.

They managed 196 for eight off 40 overs — five short of the original quota of 45 — when the clock struck 12.45 pm, the stipulated time for those who bat in the morning session.

Pappu was the most successful Kalabagan bowler taking three for 42. Veteran Dipu



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Roy bagged two late wickets to finish with two for 29 off eight overs. Ali and Rafiqul took one wicket apiece.

Kalabagan started badly losing two batsmen — Calcuttan Joydev and oldie Rumi for only 16. Lanky Nadir soon left for seven to make it 31 for three.

Ishtiaq the Kalabagan Skipper was unable to keep things pushing at the other end making 14 off 46 balls. The opener developed trouble in his leg and retired on 14,

giving way for Shaheed, who along with Pilot brought back life in the game.

While Shaheed kept the scoreboard moving in his own unorthodox style Pilot, the son of former Abahani footballer Shamsu, picked up runs with delightful exhibition of correct technique and nimble footwork. The First year B Com student of Rajshahi College danced down the wicket to reach the pitch of the ball with an air of sureness that would have made many seniors proud. Even when he missed one or two deliveries from the spinners in search of quick runs the ball did not go to the keeper, so close he kept his bat with the pad — hall mark of a good batsman. He reached his fifty by disdainfully clipping an Athar full toss past square leg for a four, to follow it up with a similar stroke for a four of the next ball.

He lifted left-arm spinner Shamsul between long off and extra cover for a sixer that eluded a desperately running Fernando.

In the end the runs proved too many for the balls left for the lower order Kalabagan batsmen and Pilot failed to pilot his team to the runaway it badly needed, leaving Brothers winners by 39 runs.

Shamsul made the most of the airy-fairy attempts of Kalabagan batsmen with figures of three for 38. Athar, Morshed and Fernando took one wicket each.

Kalabagan's speculated potential was considerably attenuated by the absence of former Indian Test player Kirti Azad, who reportedly left Dhaka after having arrived here few days back to play for the club. Kirti is expected to join the club in the forthcoming league.

# Lamba in town

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Raman Lamba, the Indian Test discard who slammed six centuries for league runners-up Abahani Krira Chakra last season in the city now.

Abahani have already filled two of their quota of four foreign players. In addition to their last year's Sri Lankan player Ashoka de Silva, Abahani have secured the services of Athula Samarasekera, another Sri Lankan Test player.



RAMAN LAMBA

Club sources say that Abahani are not too keen on retaining the services of Raman Lamba this year. Officials denied any intimation of Lamba's arrival which may force the Delhi player to look for a new club.

According to A Awal Chowdhury Bhuu, an Abahani official, the club will take a decision regarding Lamba today.

Meanwhile, Brothers Union cricket official Wasim Khan aired a hint about Saurav Ganguly's chances of playing for the Gopbhang club. The exciting left-handed batsman from Calcutta may be seen in action from the second round of the on-going Damal Summer tournament.

# Squad for Asian TT named

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Four male and three female tennis players will represent Bangladesh in the 11th Asian table tennis championships scheduled for November 7 to 14 in the Indian capital of Delhi, says a Bangladesh Table Tennis Federation press release.

Players, selected by the federation, are A B M Mosaddique Huq Rochi, Nasimul Hassan Kochi, Saiful Huq Sadi, Manas Chowdhury, Zobera Rahman Linu, Julekha Akhter and Noor-e-Saba Bachchi.

Rafiqul Islam Tipu, a member of the federation's executive committee, will be the manager of the nine-member delegation which also includes Ishtiaq Ahmed, the president of the Bangladesh Table Tennis Players' Association, who will attend the ATF congress.

# TODAY'S MATCHES

Victoria SC vs Gulshan Youth (Dhaka Stadium)  
Sadhara Bima vs Wart Club (DCS).

# Morale-boosting win for India



HARARE, Oct 25: India warmed up for their historic visit to South Africa with a 30-run win over Zimbabwe in a one-day cricket international here today, reports AFP.

After being bowled out for 239, India fought back in the field to dismiss Zimbabwe for 209 with the first ball of the 50th over.

Zimbabwe opener Andy Flower made 62, but the man-of-the-match was allrounder Gary Crocker who took four for 26 and slammed 50 runs.

The win brought cheer to the Indian camp after they struggled to hold Zimbabwe to a draw in the home side's maiden Test last week.

The Indians leave for South Africa on Monday to play four Tests and seven one-day internationals, the first official tour to the republic after it was readmitted to the International Cricket Council last year.

The tourists overcame a reckless batting display after Zimbabwe skipper David Houghton made them bat in perfect conditions.

Only Sanjay Manjrekar, India's century-maker in the Test, held firm with a polished 70 off 75 balls. His 73-run stand with Praveen Amre (36) helped India consolidate after reeling at 78 for four in the 21st over.

Zimbabwe faltered with the bat despite a cautious start by the Flower brothers who put on 63 for the first wicket in 18 overs.

Seamer Javagal Srinath provided the first breakthrough when he beat Grant Flower, on 34, with a faster delivery to shatter the stumps.

Left-handed Ali Shah, who missed the Test through injury, made 16 before Indian skipper Mohammad Azharuddin ran him out with a throw from mid-wicket.

Zimbabwe slid to 98 for three in the 29th over when captain David Houghton (four) drove part-time seamer Ajay Jadhava into Praveen Amre's hands at deep cover.

Andrew Waller began by pulling Jadhava over mid-wicket for six, but failed to keep down a drive off Manoj Prabhakar and was caught at mid-off by Anil Kumble.

In Kumble's next over, newcomer Craig Evans was held by Azharuddin at square leg to make Zimbabwe 123 for five.

Andy Flower and Crocker revived Zimbabwe's hopes by adding 58 for the sixth wicket, but an asking rate of over eight

an over in the last 10 overs proved too much.

With President Robert Mugabe watching, Zimbabwe made a sensational start to the game by removing both openers with the first nine balls with only a single on the board.

Ajay Jadhava, who replaced left-handed Woorikeri Raman from the Test squad, had his stump uprooted by debutant left-arm seamer David Brain with the second ball of the match.

Vice captain Ravi Shastri went off the third ball of the second over bowled by Mark Barmester.

Azharuddin, who promoted himself to number three, and Sachin Tendulkar, put on a brisk 74 for the fourth wicket to retrieve the situation.

While Azharuddin ran quick singles and twos, the aggressive Tendulkar launched a blistering attack, slamming six boundaries in his first 28 runs.

Both batsmen, however, fell in identical fashion in two successive overs from left-arm seamer Crocker to reduce India to 78 for four in the 21st over.

Azharuddin, who made 29, attempted a big heave off a well-pitched delivery to hit the ball down Brain's throat at long-on.

The Brain-Crocker duo was at work again when Tendulkar perished two overs later after making 39 off 66 balls with seven fours.

Manjrekar and Praveen Amre added 73 for the fifth wicket before two quick wickets set India back to 168 for six in the 40th over.

Amre, missed by wicket keeper Andy Flower off brother Grant's bowling when on 25, was trapped leg before by veteran off-spinner John

Tricos for 36.

Grant Flower finally had a wicket of his own when new batsman Kapil Dev swung hard and high to long-off where newcomer Craig Evans held a well-judged catch.

India looked like getting a 250-plus total after being 210 for six from 44 overs. But Zimbabwe fought back to claim the last four wickets for the addition of just 28 runs.



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# SCOREBOARD

Final scores from the one-day cricket international between Zimbabwe and India at the Harare Sports Club today:

**INDIA:**

Shastri c Grant Flower	1
Burmester	1
Jadhava b Brain	0

**Azharuddin c Brain b Crocker**

Tendulkar c Brain b Crocker	29
Manjrekar c A. Flower b Crocker	39
Amre lbw Tricos	70
Kapil Dev c Evans b G. Flower	36
Flower	5
Prabhakar c sub (Pcail) b Crocker	19
More run out	22
Srinath not out	1
A Kumble run out	1
Extras: (b5, lb4, w7)	16
Total: (49.4 overs)	239
Fall of wickets: 1-1, 2-1; 3-75; 4-78; 5-151; 6-168; 7-211; 8-223; 9-238.	
<b>Bowling:</b>	<b>O M R W</b>
Brain	10 0 52 1
Burmester	6 0 38 1
Ali Shah	10 1 23 0
Crocker	7.4 0 26 4
Tricos	10 0 48 1
G. Flower	6 0 43 1

**ZIMBABWE:**

A Flower run out	62
G Flower b Srinath	34
A Shah run out	16
Houghton c Amre b Jadhava	4
Waller c Kumble b Prabhakar	9
Evans c Azharuddin b Kumble	50
Crocker b Kapil	1
Brain b Srinath	8
Campbell b Srinath	0
Burmester b Prabhakar	11
Tricos not out	0
Extras: (b1, lb6, w4, nb3)	14
Total: (49.1 overs)	209
Fall of wickets: 1-63; 2-88; 3-98; 4-120; 5-123; 6-181; 7-196; 8-196; 9-209.	
<b>Bowling:</b>	<b>O M R W</b>
Kapil Dev	8.1 1 27 1
Prabhakar	10 0 43 2
Tendulkar	3 0 16 0
Srinath	10 1 35 3
Shastri	5 0 22 0
Jadhava	5 0 24 1
Kumble	8 1 35 1

**Result: India won by 30 runs.**

# Biman through to 2nd round



Bangladesh Biman completed their preliminary engagements of the 4th Damal Summer cricket tournament with second successive win against Public Works Department at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium yesterday.

Former Damal champions, aided by fine bowling performances by Babul and Azhar, beat PWD by 72 runs to go to the second round of the competition.

Batting first Biman were given a solid start with Rupam and Selim putting on 78 runs before Rupam was stumped off by spinner Fazlu.

Zakaria and Shah Nawaz

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Shahed Shanu sustained the good start with useful knocks.

Opener Mahabur Rahman Selim top-scored with 34 followed by Zakaria (28), Rupom (24) and Shanu (22).

Although Saheen fell for a blob Biman skipper Enamul Huq Moni hammered a quick-fire unbeaten 30, as his side finally totalled 188 for five wickets, off 43 overs. Anwar was the most successful bowler taking two for 28. Fazlu bagged two for 46. Shamim picked up one for 24.

Biman medium pacer Babul snuffed out any remote chance of PWD making a match of it with a deadly spell with the new ball. The newly recruit medium pacer devoured the cream of PWD batting with a

spell of three for 14 off just seven overs.

Kamrul in the PWD lower order offered some inconsequential resistance with an innings of 39 before being caught off spinner Anwarul Amin Azhar who went on to pick up two more wickets.

Opener Ujjal scored 13 while Anwar and Shamim made 11 and 10 respectively.

Anwarul Amin Azhar, like teammate Babul, had a great day with the ball bagging three wickets for 22. Pappu, Rupam and Shanu claimed one each.

# A heyday for hatricks



Zonal hosts Bandarban joined Bangladesh Customs, Dhaka University and Chandpur as the fourth team to qualify for the final round of the 17th national football championship for the Sher-e-Bangla Cup by edging past Cox's Bazar by a solitary goal in the Bandarban zonal final yesterday.

The final round comprising the ten zonal champions, defending champions Bangladesh Army and hosts of the finals Mymensingh DSA will begin from November 4 at the Mymensingh Stadium.

Bandarban, who were declared winners against Rangamati in the semifinals after a player of the latter team — Aung Chaung Chowdhury — had been found guilty of double registration, yesterday proved a real match for Cox's Bazar, who beat Chittagong by two goals to one in their semifinal encounter.

Ripon scored the all-important goal for Bandarban in the 82nd minute.

Giasuddin of Cox's Bazar invited the yellow cards for rough play.

Chairman of the local government parishad Sa Chingh Pru witnessed the keenly-contested final as chief guest and distributed the trophies.

Eight DSAs — Chittagong, Rangamati, Khagrachhari, Cox's Bazar, Noakhali, Laxmipur, Feni, and the hosts Bandarban — took part in the zonal qualifiers.

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Reaz, the enterprising midfielder of Dhaka Mohammedan Sporting Club, doubled the margin in the ninth minute (2-0).

Zakir, the industrious forward of the First Division league champions Abahani Krira Chakra, made it 3-0 in the 21st minute.

Munir got the fourth goal of the match in the 44th minute and completed his hatrick in the 72nd minute (5-0).

Reaz then led the charge for Narayanganj and scored the remaining two goals to notch up his hatrick in the 78th and 89th minutes (7-0).

Narayanganj will take on the victors of today's semifinal between Munshiganj and Dhaka in the final to decide the Madaripur zonal champions.

Hosts Netrakona registered an emphatic 7-1 victory over Kishoreganj at the Netrakona, thanks to a hatrick by Babu Das.

Syed Khan Biplab put Netrakona in the lead in the second minute of play (1-0) and Akhter Hossain doubled the margin in the 31st minute (2-0).

Biplab netted his second goal of the match in the 40th minute (3-0).

It was then the turn of Babu Das who got his first two goals in the 51st and 67th minutes (5-0).

Azharul Huq pulled one back for Kishoreganj in the 84th minute (5-1).

Liton made it 6-1 for Netrakona in the 87th minute while Babu Das scored his hatrick to complete the tally for the winners a minute from time (7-1).

Selim Khan, Arif Khan and Pons of Netrakona and Md Masud, Rafiqul Islam and Ashfaq of Kishoreganj were booked by referee Shaikh Badruddin.

Netrakona will clash with the winners of today's semifinal between Jamalpur and Tangail in the final to decide the zonal championship.

Rubel of Gaibandha slammed

another hatrick to lead his side to an exciting 3-2 victory over Kurigram at Nilphamari.

The victory pits Gaibandha against the hosts Nilphamari in the zonal final to be held tomorrow.

Rubel, who played for Abahani last season, opened the account for Gaibandha in the 37th minute (1-0) and doubled the margin in the 44th minute (2-0).

The second session of the match saw a recharged Kurigram who kept on attacking the opponent's citadel at regular intervals.

Rezaul reduced the margin for Kurigram in the 77th minute while Kamal restored parity in the 80th minute (2-2).

Rubel completed his hatrick to get the decider for Gaibandha in the 84th minute when the match was heading for the tie-breaking session.

At Joypurhat, Rajshahi clinched a berth in the zonal final by beating Pabna by a solitary goal.

Mahmud Alam Babu scored the all important goal for Rajshahi in the 60th minute.

Two more zonal finals will be held today. At Khulna, the hosts will play Bagerhat while at Jessore, the hosts will meet Chuadanga.

# Moniruzzaman monopolises meet



Mohammed Moniruzzaman of Bangladesh Krira Shiksha Pratishthan bagged eight golds in the first national youth winning championships at the Dhanmondi Women's Complex pool yesterday.

Thirteen events were held in the day-long competition following the three-day national age-group swimming championships.

The day began with Moniruzzaman winning the 400m freestyle gold clocking five minutes 21.27 seconds.

Mohammad Hossain of Brahmanbaria DSA bagged the silver while Abul Bashar of REB picked up the bronze.

In the 100m butterfly event for 18-20 year-olds, Moniruzzaman of BKSP clocked 1 min 4.89 seconds to clinch the gold while the silver went to his teammate Shahadat Hossain. Shahidul Islam Mintu of Kishoreganj settled for the bronze.

Moniruzzaman completed his hatrick of golds when he won 200m free-style with a timing of two minutes 22 sec-

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he gold in the 1500m freestyle gold. Abul Bashar of REB got the silver followed by Hossain who won the bronze.

Siddiqui Rahman of Madaripur DSA won the gold in the 100m backstroke. He took one minute 12.99 seconds.

Nurul Islam of Gopalganj bagged the silver while Shahin Hossain of REB settled for the bronze.

Mizanur Rahman of BKSP was the gold winner in the 100m breast-stroke. He clocked one minute 14.07 secs. Raihan of BJMC took the silver while Abul Bashar of REB bagged the bronze.

Moniruzzaman of BKSP gathered the gold gong in the 100m freestyle with a timing of one minute 01.07 secs.

Siddiqui Rahman trailed him to be contented with the silver while REB's Abul Bashar finished little later than his Madaripur rival to pick up the bronze.

Moniruzzaman pick up the 200m backstroke gold in two

minutes 41.64 secs.

Nurul Islam of Gopalganj DSA snatched the silver ahead of Masud Rana of REB who got the bronze.

Moniruzzaman struck the same note with which he started the competition by winning the last event of the day 50m freestyle in 27.05 secs.

Shahin Hossain of REB bagged the silver while Siddiqui Rahman of Madaripur took the bronze.

Bangladesh Krira Shiksha Pratishthan emerged as the champions of this competition with ten golds, two silvers and a bronze, followed by Madaripur and Rajshahi Education Board who retained the champions mantle the day before yesterday in the three-day long national age-group championships preceding yesterday's prototype meet.

Asafudowla, the Water and Flood Control Secretary and president of the Bangladesh Swimming Federation gave away the prizes as the chief guest.

Forty participants of 17 teams took part in this day-long meet.

# MEDAL TABLE

Complete break up of the medal winning teams.

	G	S	B	Total
BKSP	10	2	1	13
Madaripur	2	2	1	5
Rajshahi EB	1	4	5	10
BJMC	0	2	1	3
Gopalganj	0	2	0	2
Kishoreganj	0	0	1	1

# Euro Athletics Cup turns annual

PRAGUE, Oct 25: The European Cup will be held annually instead of every two years, the European Athletic Association decided here Saturday, reports AFP.

Nine countries will be eligible for the 1993 final in Rome on June 26-27 to allow both Russia and Ukraine to compete.

Only eight countries will be eligible from 1994 onwards.

# Nat'l jr wrestling from November 19

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The ninth national junior wrestling championships '92 and the third national empire wrestling competition will begin in the city from November 19 and 23 respectively.

Interested grapplers have been asked to send their entry forms to the general secretary of the federation before November 15.

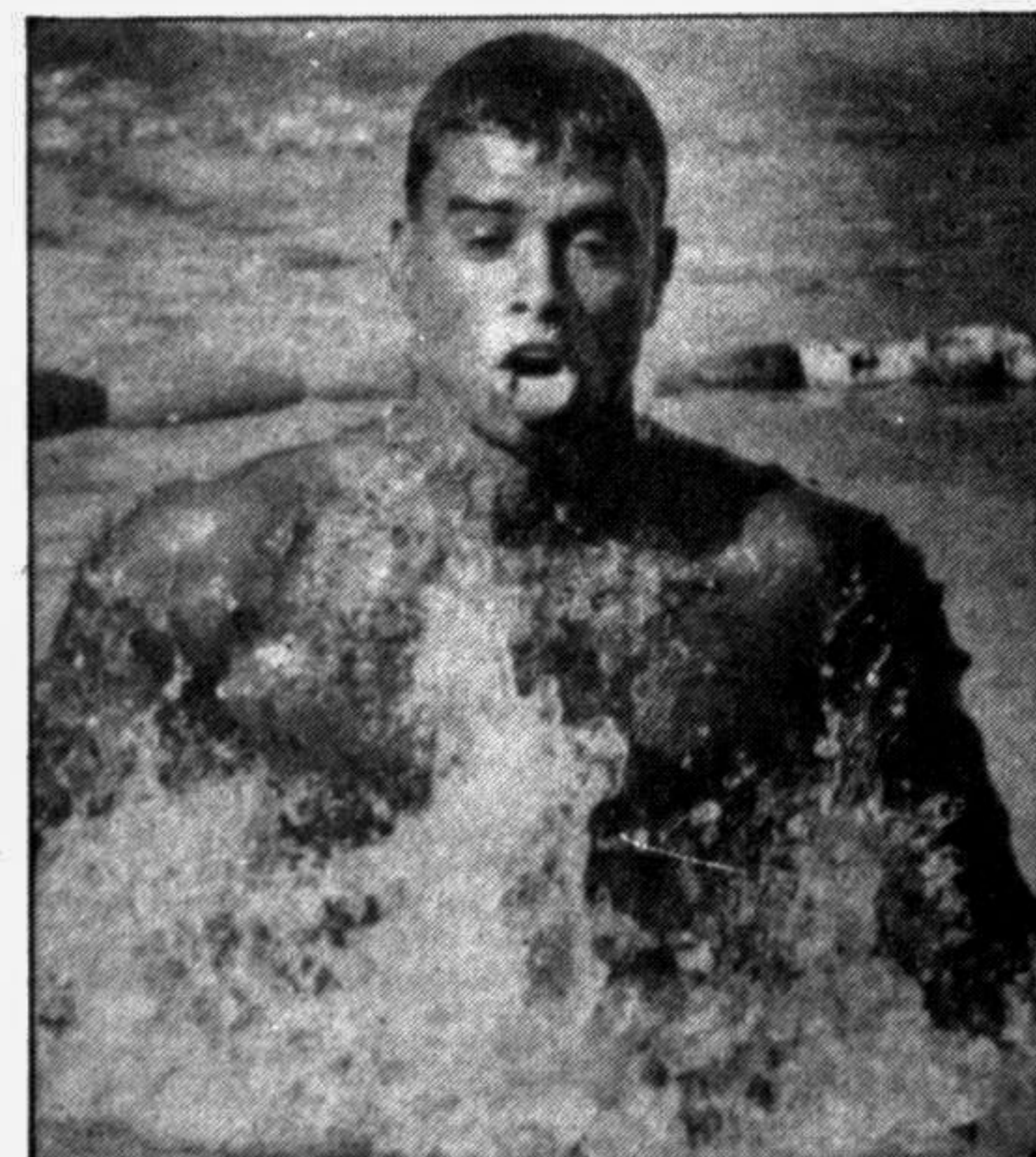
# DU soccer

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Department of Library Science beat Department of Economics by two goals to nil in the Dhaka University inter-department football tournament at the University playground yesterday.

The winners led 1-0 at the lemon break.

Najib and Zahid were the scorers.



Karar Mizan of BKSP bagged the 200m freestyle gold yesterday at he Dhanmondi Women's Complex pool. — Star photo



M Moniruzzaman of Bangladesh Krira Shiksha Pratishthan on his way to winning the national youth meet 400m freestyle event at the Dhanmondi Women's Sports Complex pool yesterday. He took 5:21.27 seconds. — Star photo

# Real move into 2nd position

MADRID, Oct 25: Real Madrid moved into second place in the Spanish league with a 2-0 win over Athletic Bilbao in the Bernabeu Stadium on Saturday, reports AFP.

Chilean striker Ivaín Zamorano put Real ahead after only three minutes and former Spanish international Emiliano Butragueno made sure of the two points with a strike eight minutes into the second half.

League leaders La Coruna and previously second-placed Atletico Madrid both play today.