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Kiwis in for a grilling

HOBART, Nov 27: Allan Border was involved in a fiery exchange with New Zealand paceman Danny Morrison as Australia took charge on the second day of the second Test today, reports Reuter.



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Morrison swapped heated words with the Australian captain after taking his wicket for the eighth time in Test cricket. Border, whose belligerent 60 ended when he gave the Kiwi fast bowler a simple return catch, turned to continue the verbal jousting as he walked from the wicket.

But the pair, the tourists' last recognised batsmen, survived to end the day with Rutherford on 15 and Jones on 34 at the other end.

With three days remaining, their partnership is vital to New Zealand's chances of repeating their draw in last week's first Test in Perth.

They still need another 264 runs just to avoid the follow-on. "It is going to be a long, hard fight from here on in for us," said Kiwi coach Geoff Howarth.

Earlier, Mark Waugh became the third Australian to score a century as the home side plundered a weak bowling attack. Waugh made a dashing 111, including 15 boundaries, off just 129 balls.

Table with cricket statistics: M Waugh c Doull b De Groen 111, De Groen 60, Border c and b Morrison 25, S Waugh not out 60, Healy c Doull b De Groen 1, Reiffel not out 23, Extras: (nb-14, b-7, lb-2) 23, Total: (for six wickets declared) 544, Fall of wickets: 1-65; 2-300; 3-335; 4-485; 5-501; 6-502.



Table with cricket statistics for Mark Waugh: Morrison 33 4 125 1, Su'a 24 3 102 1, Doull 21 0 99 1, De Groen 36 9 113 2, Harris 2 0 18 0, Patel 23 3 78 1. Includes bowling figures for Morrison, McDermott, Pocock, Jones, Rutherford, and Extras.

Ukraine through

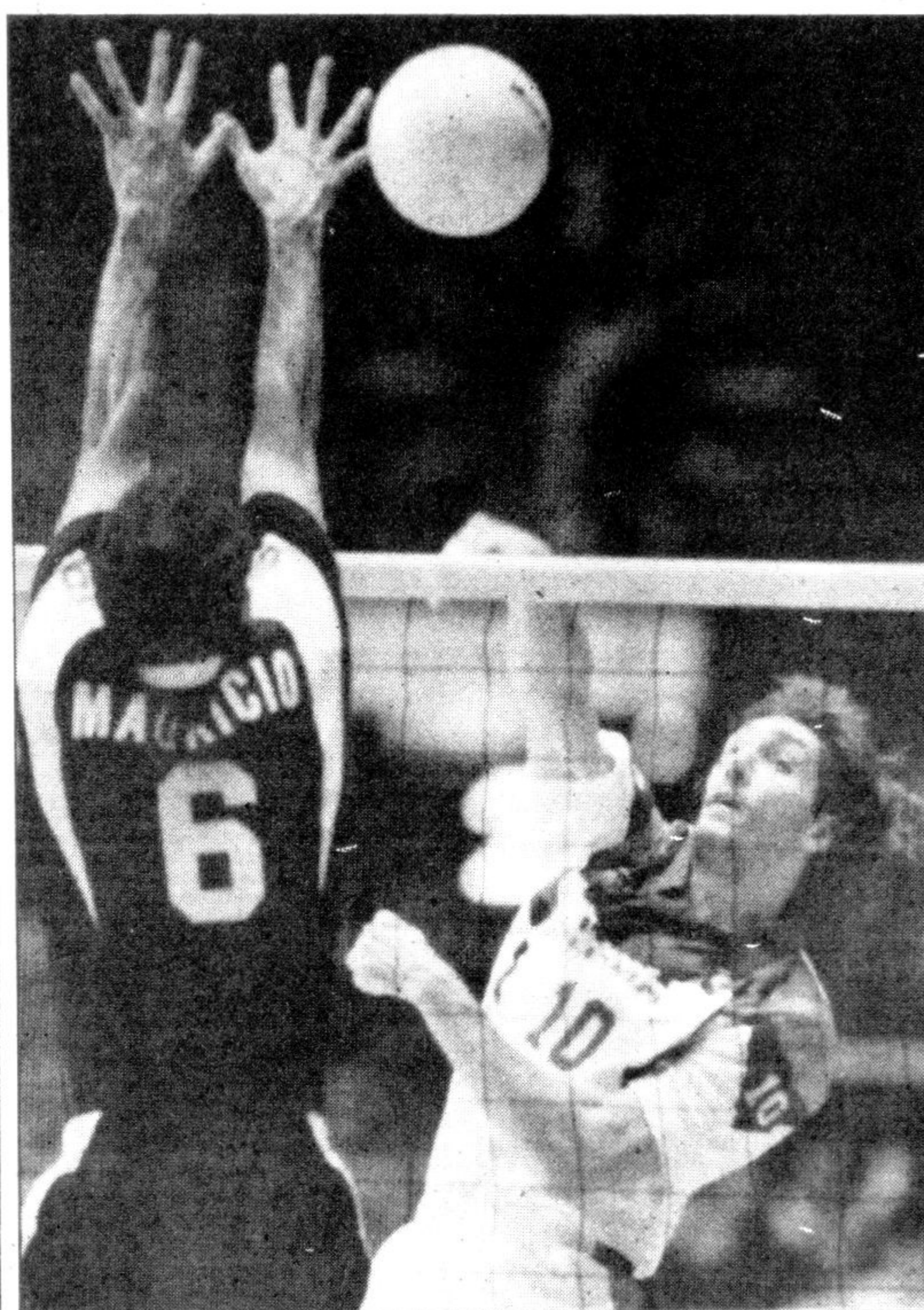
LAGOS, Nov 27: Ukraine on Friday emerged winners in the three-day tournament in Lagos to qualify for the World Women's Volleyball Championship in Brazil next October, reports Reuter.

Ukraine won the maximum six points from three games in the African-European Zone. Croatia got five points, hosts Nigeria four and Egypt three.

Flame in snow MORGEDAL, Norway, Nov 27: Norwegian museum curator Olav Bekken rubbed two sticks together on a snow-covered mountainside to light the Olympic flame today for the 1994 Winter Games in Lillehammer, reports Reuter.

Bekken, winner of a nationwide contest in fire lighting with stone age methods, sparked the flame just after midnight after about half a dozen attempts. "This is the start of the great enthusiasm. We're not just lighting the flame here but also lighting up the whole of Norway," said Gerhard Heiberg, president of the Lillehammer Organising Committee.

Smollich joins dopers' club HILDESHEIM, Germany, Nov 27: Another German swimmer has tested positive for using forbidden amounts of performance-enhancing caffeine, the German sports news agency SID says, reports AP.



Italy's Luca Cantagalli (R) spikes the ball in the World Grand Champions Cup volleyball match in Tokyo yesterday, while Mauricio Lima (L) of Brazil attempts to block. Italy defeated Barcelona Olympic men's champion Brazil 8-15, 17-15, 15-13, 15-17, 15-11.

Brazilians blow Koreans off

TOKYO, Nov 27: Barcelona Olympic men's gold medalists Brazil breezed past South Korea in straight sets for a third-consecutive win in the 1.5 million-dollar World Grand Champions Cup volleyball tournament here Friday, reports AFP.

Gilson Bernardo, the most impressive player on the second day, again appeared to be the best scorer on their side hitting 25 lightning winners for five points, while Gavio Giovane showed consistent play, winning 10 points.

Against Brazil will be very tough. They are the Olympic champions and the World League champions. So we have to play a good game against them to win the match," said Italian coach Julio Velasco.

Kaiserslautern's giant stride

BONN, Nov 27: Kaiserslautern leapt three Bundesliga places into second spot, at least until today's fixtures, with an emphatic 3-0 victory over Cologne on Friday, reports Reuter.

Stefan Kuntz, the Bundesliga's leading goalscorer, took his season's tally to 14 in front of national team coach Bert Vogts, seizing the initiative for Kaiserslautern with a sweet 25-metre drive late in the first half.

Checkmate for Japanese master

TOKYO, Nov 27: Japanese chess master Hidemitsu Moriyasu, 44, was stabbed to death Tuesday at his home in western Japan, police said, adding that his 12-year-old son was the prime suspect in his murder, reports AFP.

Maier races past Wachter

SANTA CATERINA VALFURVA, Italy, Nov 27: Ulrike Maier on Saturday captured her second World Cup giant slalom career victory, ending teammate Anita Wachter's winning streak, reports AP.

Maier, 26, a former world Super-G champion, clocked an unbeatable aggregate time of two minutes, 20.84 seconds in two runs down the Cevedale course in this Italian Alpine resort.

Wachter, who had dominated the two previous giant slalom races, finished second, 0.28 seconds behind. Wachter, the defending World Cup champion, still strengthened her lead in the overall standings, piling up 280 points.

Maier, a double world Super-G champion in 1989 and 1991, clocked the fastest first run in 1:09.35 minutes and withstood the comeback of Wachter and Wiberg in the second run.

'Superwomen' set out for Manila

BEIJING, Nov 27: China's 'superwomen' athletes will compete in the 10th Asian Track and Field Championships in Manila from November 30. Xinhua news agency confirmed on Thursday, reports Reuter.

It said world champions and world record holders Wang Junxia and Qu Yunxia would lead a 70-member Chinese delegation to the event. The team will consist of 19 men and 29 women athletes, including six members of the so-called Ma family army, the team includes 12 Asian record holders and eight defending champions.

Winners without a fight

JOHANNESBURG, Nov 27: Canadian Grant Connell and American Patrick Galbraith didn't have to hit a ball on Friday to reach the semifinals of the ATP World Doubles Championships here, reports AFP.

Their American opponents Luke and Murphy Jensen were unable to play the final match in the round-robin series after Luke was rushed to hospital Thursday with appendicitis.

clined the Hewitt/McMillan section with an exciting 7-6 (7-5), 7-6 (10-5) win over Australian eighth seeds Mark Kratzmann and Wally Masur.

Graf firmly placed on top

ST PETERSBURG, Florida, Nov 27: Steffi Graf's victory in the Virginia Slims Championships on Sunday left her firmly entrenched at the top of the 1993 rankings and dropped former number one Monica Seles down to eighth, reports Reuter.

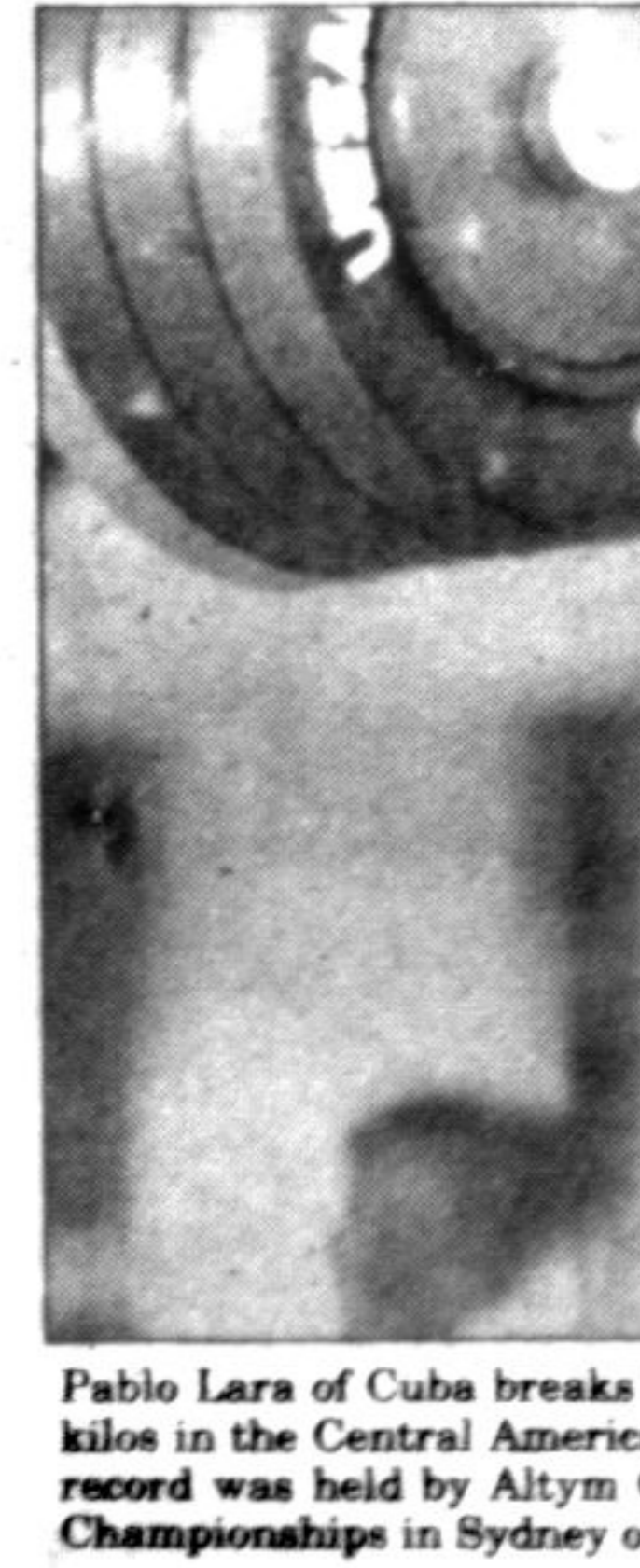
Graf's victory over Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario of Spain in Sunday's final of the 3.5 million dollars season-ending tournament left the German comfortably ahead of Sanchez in the final standings.

Adams, 23, was thrilled to become only the second South African since Kevin Curren 11 years ago to have a chance of winning the doubles masters. "The crowd support was fantastic," he said. "I was really hyped-up to do well this week."

WTA's top 20

ST PETERSBURG, Florida, Nov 27: Leading rankings in women's tennis as issued by the women's Tennis Association on Monday:

- 1. Steffi Graf (Germany)
2. Arantxa Sanchez Vicario (Spain)
3. Martina Navratilova (US)
4. Conchita Martinez (Spain)
5. Gabriela Sabatini (Argentina)
6. Jana Novotna (Czech Republic)
7. Mary Joe Fernandez (US)
8. Monica Seles (Yugoslavia)
9. Jennifer Capriati (US)
10. Anke Huber (Germany)
11. Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere (Switzerland)
12. Mary Pierce (France)
13. Kimiko Date (Japan)
14. Zina Garrison Jackson (US)
15. Amanda Coetzer (South Africa)
16. Magdalena Maleeva (Bulgaria)
17. Helena Sukova (Czech Republic)
18. Nathalie Tauziat (France)
19. Natalia Zvereva (Belarus)
20. Lindsay Davenport (US)



Pablo Lara of Cuba breaks the world record in the clean-jerk 76kg-category with a lift of 205 kilos in the Central American and Caribbean Games in Ponce, Puerto Rico on Nov 25. The old record was held by Altym Oratursiev of Turkmenistan who lifted 202.5 kilos at the World Championships in Sydney on Nov 16.

But despite serving as well as ever, the Russian was broken thanks to some spectacular service returns particularly by Masur. The tiebreak swung back and forth with the Australian wasting two break points to level at set-all before Adams and Olhovskiy squeeze, through to win match of the week.

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CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS: 1 Sweet-heart, 5 Door-frame part, 9 Tara-diddle, 12 Grecian vessels, 13 Mr. Sharif, 14 "But — on forever" (Tennyson), 15 Paw, 17 Staff, 18 Door, often, 19 Impressionist's forte, 21 Signal light, 24 Period, 25 Billions and billions of years, 26 Misogamist, maybe, 30 Simile center, 31 Unclear, 32 Ms. Gardner, 33 Good as new, 35 It rises to the top, 36 Chatter, 37 Frost works, 38 Tara resident, 40 Aleutian island, 42 "How Green — My Valley", 43 Texas feature, 48 Actor Wallach, 49 Longing, 50 He keeps a list, 51 Lindbergh's view, 52 Sharp, 53 Tends tears, DOWN: 1 Hobo, 2 NOW, 3 Abby's sis, 4 Leading men of the theater?, 5 Singer Mitchell, 6 Const. add-on, 7 Bad, in Bordeaux, 8 Have an inspiration?, 9 Some people poke around here, 10 Lab aide?, 11 Whodunnit's who-it-dun-to, 16 Bunyan's tootie, 20 "Midnight dreary" man, 21 Apprehension, 22 Come in last, 23 1956 Ingrid Bergman film, 24 Gulf War missile, 26 Fir coat?, 27 Candle count, 28 Egg, 29 West Coast eleven, 31 Synthetic language c. 1879, 34 Salt, 35 Silence breakers, 37 Sch. org., 38 Uses plastic, 39 He played the Skipper, 40 Opposite of diable, 41 Subsequently, 44 "Where the Boys —", 45 Billy — Williams, 46 Enactment, 47 Type units

Cryptogram puzzle grid with letters and numbers. Includes a solution key at the bottom: Y Z J D Y Z Z G D X R F A, F R X L M A X I S X V V, D G A W X D, S J M Z X G O A ' M, L J V V G A W Z G O I X G W Z M.

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THAT PLUMBING SUPPLY BUSINESS IN KOKOMO WE BOUGHT ... WE TOOK A BATH ON IT.
Today's Cryptoquip clue: S equals B
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.