

# BU scramble into semis

**Sports Reporter**

Lack lustre Brothers Union got a new lease of life in the third Dhaka Metropolitan Football Association (DMFA) Cup when they completed the semifinal quarter with a one nil victory over Abahani Krira Chakra at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Veteran midfielder Satyajit Das Rupu, who is leading the depleted Gopibagh side this year, scored the all important goal early into the first half to stretch their recent statistical supremacy over last year's DMFA Cup runners-up.

Satyajit, a former Abahani player, had also scored the winning goal in Brothers' decisive 3-2 win over Abahani which threw out the Dhan mondi outfit from last year's league championship race.

Faced with the unenviable proposition of winning the match for a berth in the semifinals after Mohammedans, Muktiyoddha and Abahani, Brothers needed a victory and only victory and they did fairly well to hold on to an early lead.

Abahani, who are still smarting under the mass desertion of some of their key players who recently joined the revamped Muktiyoddha

Sangsad, sorely missed the firepower in their attack, and their customary territorial domination were of no use.

Despite having two Iraqi players at their disposal — Nazar Ali and Jamal Jabbar, who arrived in the city on Thursday — Abahani could not field them for some mandatory registration formalities and their diminished frontline could spring no pleasant surprise for the huge holiday crowd, who had the mortification of bracing for the Eid-ul-Azha with the bitter taste of defeat in their mouth.

But the result was always on the cards judging from the viewpoint of the form displayed by the sky blues in the curtain raising meet so far and the defeat was a culmination of a spell of toddly progress. The win, however, should cause Abahani no immediate worries as they have already qualified for the semis with four points. In fact, Abahani would play the runners-up of Group A, possibly Muktiyoddha Sangsad as the Group B champions for their better goal average compared to that of Brothers Union. With two more matches of the group stage waiting completion, Abahani in all probability would play in the



Action from yesterday's DMFA Cup match between Abahani KC and Brothers Union at Dhaka Stadium yesterday. Brothers upset last year's runners-up Abahani 1-0. — Star photo

# Crowd-trouble alarms PFA

**LONDON, May 20:** The English Footballers' Union has called for talks with the game's governing bodies amid warnings that players' lives are at risk from hooligan fans, reports AFP.

The alert follows attacks on Derby goalkeeper Martin Taylor and midfielder Paul Williams during the Rams' promotion play-off match at Millwall's New Den ground on Wednesday night.

Professional Footballers' Association official Brendan Batson said: "A player could be killed one day."

"It only needs one complete psycho intent on making a name for himself."

The PFA plan early talks with the Football Association, Premiership chiefs and the football league.

Batson, a former West Bromwich Albion and Arsenal defender, said: "Reintroducing

fences would be a retrograde step but incidents like these are very distressing."

Garth Crooks, the former Stoke, Tottenham, Manchester United and Charlton forward, claimed players had been afraid of appearing at Millwall for years.

Crooks said: "I was always concerned about playing there and every black player I have come across was concerned about playing there."

"It was not only black players, either. If this is what it takes for people to stop fighting it and intellectually tiptoeing around this subject at Millwall then so be it."

A month ago Nottingham Forest's black striker Stan Collymore was confronted by a fan on the pitch during a match at the New Den.

The FA acted with speed over the latest incident, charging Millwall with crowd control failure just over 12 hours after two separate pitch inva-

## CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

**ACROSS**

1 "Farewell"  
5 A/C  
8 Ink stain  
12 Greek poet  
14 Mr. Vallee  
15 Elaborately woven fabric  
16 In due time  
17 Einstein's birthplace  
18 Political asylum seeker  
20 Alamo casualty  
23 Breakfast cereal  
24 Send out  
25 They ride bareback?  
28 Diastema  
29 Judean king  
30 Real popular  
32 Interior decorator's job  
34 Lima land  
35 Future phal-laropes  
36 "12 Angry Men" director

**DOWN**

37 Match-makers sometimes use it  
40 Field, for short  
41 Mimic  
42 Cause of many bank deposits?  
47 Bream's breather  
48 Bone affliction  
49 Silithery  
50 Wish undone  
51 Billions and billions of years  
1 Hold the scepter  
2 Literary collection  
3 Center X  
4 Clear  
5 Smile broadly  
6 Craggy hill  
7 Likely  
8 Intelligence  
9 Breathing organ  
10 Skunk's defense  
11 Daly of "Cagney & Lacey"  
13 Hold the scepter  
19 Hazel, e.g.  
20 Entreat  
21 The Tent-maker  
22 Clear the slate  
23 "Oh, God!" star  
25 Mr. Rogers, e.g.?  
26 Those people  
27 Miffed  
29 Pen pals?  
31 Egyptian boy king  
33 With all my heart  
34 Baffler  
36 Lorna's half-sis  
37 Senate employee  
38 Sheriff Taylor's boy  
39 He got the point across to his son  
40 Mosquito attack  
43 Baton Rouge  
44 Past  
45 — Tin Tin  
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**Solution time: 25 min.**

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**ALOFT BLAKE**  
**MEXICO PLOWED**  
**RHO REF**  
**ZONE LOU FAZE**  
**EMU MOOD ARIL**  
**SOD ONZE RINK**  
**TOE AGES EDGE**

# BFF picks 25 for U-19 team

**Bangladesh Football Federation** has selected 25 footballers to form a national team for the 29th Asian Youth under 19 championship, reports BSS.

The selected players have been requested to join the camp at 12 noon on May 24 at Mirpur.

The players are: Dulal Hossain Dhanu (Abahani), Arifur Rahman Pannu (Victoria), Kishore Kumar Dutta Manu (Muktijoddha), Kajal Ganguly (Bangladesh Boys), Biplob Marma (Mohammedans), Bishu Das (Agrani Bank), Imdadul Huq (Abahani), Mansoor Ali (Abahani), Monowar Hossain Munna (East End), Mohammad Arman (Muktijoddha), Paritosh Dewan (Mohammedans), Ahmed Halmi Aftab (PWD), Alfaz Ahmed (Arambagh), Yousuf Rahmatullah Bhutto (Brothers Union), Rashidul Hasan Shammim (Abahani), Sajedur Rahman (Arambagh), Zulfiqar Ahmed Mintu (Abahani), Salahuddin (PWD), Kazi Jamal Hossain (Agrani Bank), Abdul Al-Mujahid (Wari), Shimul Khan (PWD), Qazi Kaushik Ahmed Shaheen (East End), Shaheen Hasan Ripon (Brothers Union), Santosh Kumar Roy (Farashganj) and Mofizuddin Ahmed Tota (Bangladesh Boys).

# SL to host one-day series in Sept

**COLOMBO, May 20:** Australia, Pakistan, India and Sri Lanka will play in the one-day Singer World Series limited-over cricket tournament in Sri Lanka in September, reports AP.

The tournament will take place Sept 4-17, and each country will play three matches in the preliminary round, cricket board officials said Friday.

The final will be held on Sept 17 under floodlights.

Sri Lanka will play India in the opening match at the Khetarama Stadium in Colombo, on Sept 4. Australia will take on Pakistan on Sept 7 at Moratuwa, 20 kilometres (12 miles) from Colombo.

The International Cricket Conference has been asked to provide neutral umpires and a match referee, said Neil Pereira, secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in Sri Lanka.

# Dhaka Club invitational golf tourney today

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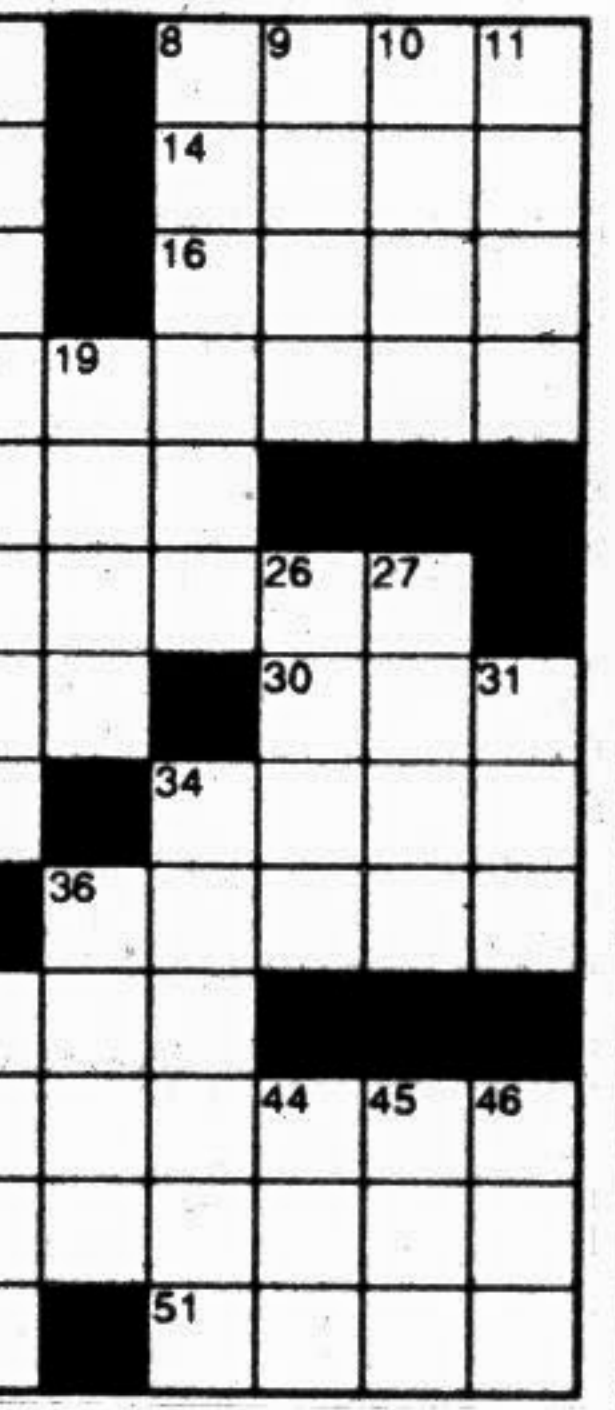
The Invitational Dhaka Club Summer Classic '94 golf tournament featuring some of the top golfers of the country will be at club's golf course today.

The competition over 18 holes will be played on the basis of net strokeplay full handicap on a rather demanding Dhaka Club golf course.

Among the likely contenders for the title are Sajjad Ahmed who has been good nick this season. Brothers Manzoor and Farooq will also be in the hunt.

Familiarity with the ground should hold hosts' M A Mannan, Rezaur Rahman, K U Chowdhury in good stead.

While a powerfulised campaigner Shaukat Uz Zaman returns to his happy hunting ground to add to the glamour of the meet former cricketers Shakil Kasem, Iqbal Azim and Imran Ahmed will be there to add some sort of peregrine pi-quancy to the exciting tourney.



**CRYPTOQUIP**

M D U W K D U A C K K A U  
V C G D G R M K D U S C Z  
V C G D Z U K D L L B U T , D U  
B W U M D U M R G V C W - C G D U T .  
Saturday's Cryptoquip: I ONLY ATTRIBUTED MY BADLY TORN TROUSERS TO SEAM-STRESS.  
Today's Cryptoquip clue: V equals F

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.



An AFP undated file photo shows the Argentine national squad. Labelled by critics as the villains of the 1990 World Cup, they will aim to set the record straight in this year's finals in the United States.

# Rookies serve England well

**BIRMINGHAM, England, May 20:** Paceman Darren Gough and off-spinner Shaun Udal shared four key wickets on their senior England debut to secure a 42-run victory over New Zealand in the first one-day international on Thursday, reports Reuter.

Gough dispatched Martin Crowe, New Zealand's best batsman, for nought in his first over and later accounted for opener Bryan Young, who was top scorer with 65.

Not to be outdone by Gough, who bowled impressively for the England A team in South Africa at the start of the year, Udal snapped up Adam Parore (42) and captain Ken Rutherford (0) in quick succession.

That double strike by the Hampshire slow bowler on his first appearance for his country as a major turning point, reducing New Zealand from 78 for one to 81 for three in their pursuit of England's 55-over total of 224 for eight.

With Graeme Hick's off-spin and Chris Lewis fast-medium bowling undermining the middle order, New Zealand crumbled to 182 all out in 52.5 overs.

England's total, on a slow pitch inhibiting fluent stroke-play, was built around captain Mike Atherton's typically resolute and controlled innings of 81.

Gough's dismissal of Crowe, driving firm-footedly and edging a slip catch to Alec Stewart, was a big setback for the touring team. His promotion to opener had been designed to make the most of his considerable talents in a one-day innings.

Young and wicketkeeper Parore, who was also elevated

in the order after batting successfully at number three in earlier tour games, repaired the damage with a second wicket stand of 76 that blossomed after a sticky start.

However, Udal regained the initiative for England by bowling Parore and having Rutherford lbw as he pushed half forward to a quicker delivery.

When Yorkshire paceman Gough returned to remove Young with a fine, swinging yorker, England were effectively assured of a win to start Ray Illingworth's reign as chairman of selectors.

Disciplined New Zealand bowling, especially by paceman Chris Pringle (five for 45) and off-spinner Shane Thomson (two for 34) did most to shackle England's batsmen.

Atherton, sparingly used in limited overs cricket before he took over the England captaincy from Graham Gooch last season, again showed his ability to play a worth one-day innings, as he had on the recent tour of West Indies.

England's skipper, who was finally run out in the 45th over, faced 137 balls and hit eight fours.

He shared in the only significant partnerships, putting on 50 for the second wicket in 14 overs with Robin Smith, and 57 for the third wicket with Gooch.

New Zealand's main strike bowler Danny Morrison was forced to retire to the pavilion with a hamstring problem after bowling six overs.

The second and last one-day international is at Lord's on Saturday.

**Thursday, ENGLAND**

Atherton run out	81
Stewart c Nash b Pringle	24
Smith c Parore b Thomson	15
Gooch b Thomson	23
Hick b Pringle	18
Reeve c Fleming b Pringle	16
Rhodes c Thomson	12
b Pringle	12
Lewis b Pringle	19
Udal not out	3
Extras: (b-1, lb-5, w-7)	13
Total: (for eight wickets, 55 overs)	224
Fall of wickets: 1-33; 2-83; 3-140; 4-161; 5-180; 6-199; 7-199; 8-224.	
Did not bat: A Fraser, D Gough.	

**Bowling:**

	O	M	R	W
Morrison	6	0	31	0
Pringle	11	1	45	5
Nash	5	1	10	0
Larsen	11	1	53	0
Hart	11	0	45	0
Thomson	11	0	34	2

**NEW ZEALAND**

Young b Gough	65
Crowe c Stewart b Gough	0
Parore b Udal	42
Rutherford lbw b Udal	0
Fleming c and b Hick	17
Thomson c Lewis b Hick	17
Larsen c and b Lewis	13
Nash b Lewis	0
Hart c Stewart b Lewis	13
Pringle c Hick b Fraser	3
Morrison not out	17
Extras: (lb-4, w-1)	5
Total: (all out, 52.5 overs)	182
Fall of wickets: 1-2; 2-78; 3-81; 4-110; 5-134; 6-136; 7-136; 8-149; 9-152.	

**Bowling:**

	O	M	R	W
Fraser	10	0	37	1
Gough	11	1	36	2
Udal	11	0	39	2
Reeve	4	0	15	0
Lewis	9.5	2	20	3
Hick	7	0	31	2

**Result: England won by 42 runs.**  
**Second match: Lord's, May 21.**

# Nat'l youth kabaddi from May 26

**Sports Reporter**

The fifth national youth kabaddi championship will begin in Narail from May 26.

The two-day long meet will be participated by Kishoreganj, Netrokona, Dinajpur, Kurigram, Feni, Maulvibazar, Satkhira, and hosts Narail, said a federation press release issued yesterday.

# King Kasparov

**AMSTERDAM, May 20:** Professional Chess Association (PCA) world champion Garry Kasparov on Thursday won the 8,000 US dollars first prize in the VSB Bank tournament with four points out of six games after magnificent defensive play in the last round, reports Reuter.

Kasparov, rated the best chess player of all time, drew with Britain's Nigel Short. This pulled him half a point ahead of Vassily Ivanchuk of Ukraine who lost to Dutchman Jan Timman.

Ivanchuk, who beat Kasparov in the fourth round, entered the last round of the four player competition level on points with the Azeri-born Russian. Both needed to go for a win to aim for a first prize, but both had the disadvantage of drawing blank.

Short, who lost to Kasparov in the PCA World Championship in London last October, played his usual King's pawn opening and the 31-year-old Russian replied with the Sicilian Defence.

The Briton took advantage of an unusual queen's pawn move by Kasparov to make an early king's side pawn advance on move six.

# Seles seeks \$10m in damages

**BOCA RATON, Florida, May 20:** Monica Seles has demanded 10 million dollars from the German Tennis Federation for losses caused by the knife attack at a Hamburg tournament from which she has yet to return to pro tennis, reports AFP.

The German lawyer for Seles, the world number one at the time of the attack on April 30, 1993, has written the federation citing examples of inadequate security at the Citizen Cup event.

"We are not indicating insufficient security at sporting events in general," lawyer Wilhelm Danelzik said in the letter, which was released by Seles' agents, International Management Group on Thursday.

# Easy wins for France, Russia

**DUSSELDORF, Germany, May 20:** France swept to a surprising victory over the United States, and Russia — without the help of their star player Yevgeny Kafelnikov — defeated Germany in the World Team Cup on Thursday, reports AFP.

Pete Sampras put the United States ahead against France, but the defending champions ran into trouble when Michael Chang was beaten 6-4, 7-6 (8-6) by Arnaud Boetsch.

The Frenchman has recently been sick and had not played for more than two months, but the intensive fitness training he has undergone paid dividends. His tactic was to be patient, and not try and beat Chang at his own game.

Chang, ranked nine places higher than Boetsch at eight, was not too concerned at his defeat.

"Arnaud played very good tennis, and some matches you're going to win and some you'll lose," he said. "It was a bit frustrating because I was up 5-2 (in the 2nd set). But my concentration level was up and down and that hurt me."

Sampras defeated Cedric Pioline 6-3, 7-6 (7-3), but he faced the prospect of being taken to a 3rd set as Pioline held two break points for a 5-1 lead in the 2nd set.

Both players became upset by an electronic net cord machine which appeared to register the ball clipping the net when it had not, and at 4-1 in the 2nd set it was turned off.

Chang's defeat proved costly, as Patrick McEnroe and Richey Reneberg then lost the deciding doubles 6-4, 3-6, 6-1 to Boetsch and Olivier Delaite. But with the round robin format of the tournament, Ger-

many and the United States will meet on Saturday.

Alexander Volkov, who had lost his last five meetings against Michael Stich, emerged with a 6-4, 7-6 (7-5) victory to put Russia in front, and Andrei Chesnokov had little difficulty in dismissing Bernd Karbacher 6-2, 6-2.

But Kafelnikov, who has risen from nowhere to the top 20 this year and will be one of the most feared unseeded players at the French Open end week, was missing, having let for Paris early. But Volkov claimed there is no rift with the team.

"He's taking a few days off. May be he's sick of tennis because he has been playing so many weeks in a row. Everybody understands he's very tired and no one blames him."

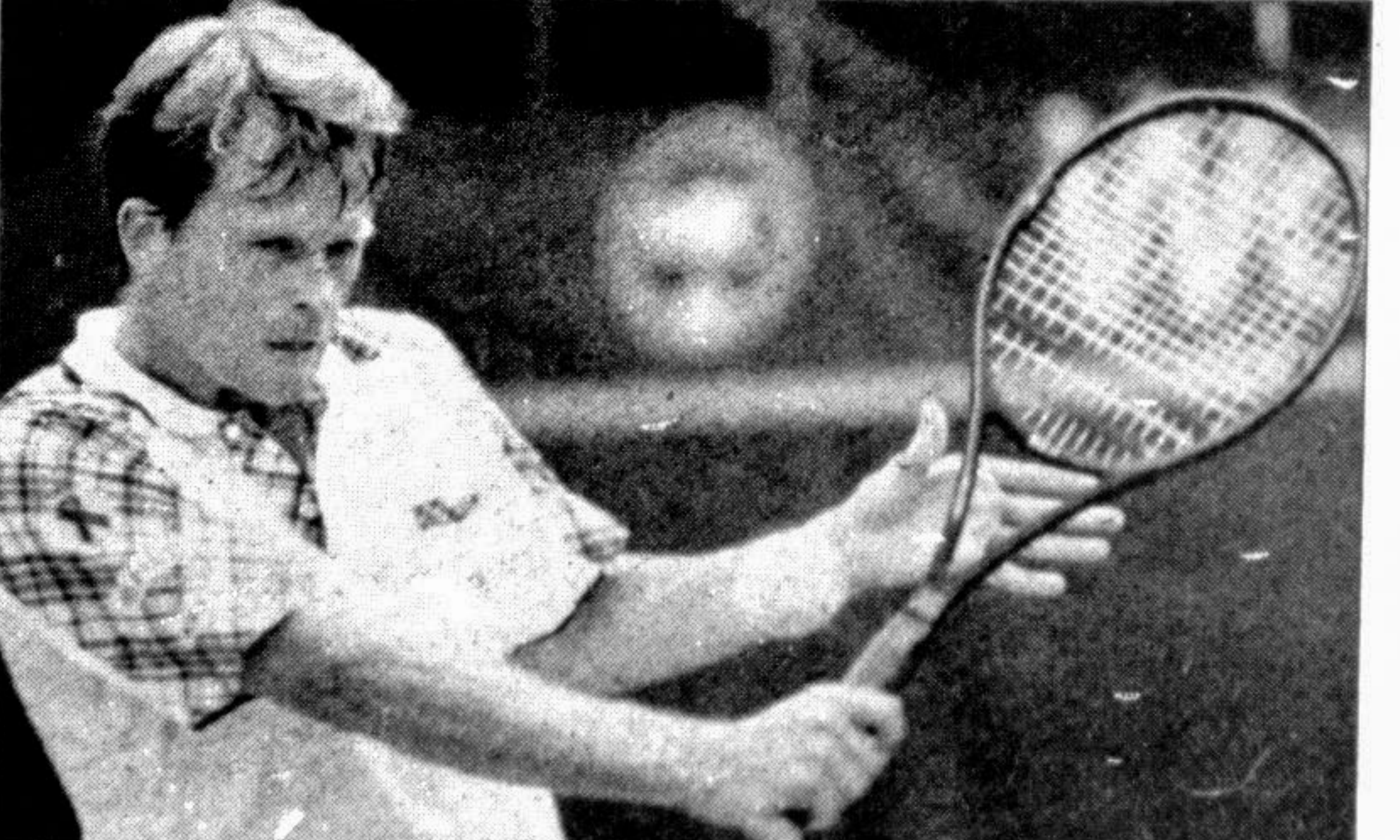
for what he has done," he said.

Chesnokov has different ideas, and was surprised to discover Kafelnikov had left.

"We didn't do anything bad, but he just left. He didn't say anything. He didn't say goodbye. If he doesn't want to play he should say," said Chesnokov.

The real reason behind Kafelnikov's disappearance is money. When he was chosen for the team he was only their third best player, but his recent success has elevated him to number 1. The result has been a dispute over what share of the prize money he should receive.

Volkov thought that Stich may have taken him too lightly, having not lost to him since 1989.



Sweden's Stefan Edberg makes a backhand return to Australian Wally Masur during their World Team Cup singles match in Duesseldorf on Wednesday. Edberg won 6-2, 7-6. — AFP photo