

# SL spoil Pakistan's broth

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first landing on the shantana at the stands after sailing over the long-off fence.

For the first time in the six-



day old meet one-day batsmanship was put on show with all the complain and fears about wicket taking a back seat.



The two successful bowlers of the day — Pakistani pacer Zafar Iqbal (R), the BCCB man-of-the-match award for his match haul of five wickets and Upul Chandana, the Lankan spinner, who captured four wickets to win the BSWC award.

However, the entertaining afternoon cricket, watched by a relatively small crowd, was marred by some temperamental outburst of Pak skipper Raja.

Known as the more reticent type, Raja expressed his dis-

pleasures in no certain terms to umpire Akhtar after the local man in apron declared Naem Ashraf lbw first ball.

Raja was not happy about his own dismissal as well, stumped by Dunusinghe for an 89-ball 59.

Although the promising left-hander Ashraf had to go under debatable circumstances, Lankan spinner Upul Chandana bowled with admirable control to bring the match alive.

The leg-spinner, who did not extract much turn but finished with commendable analysis of four for 22, put the brakes to Pakistan's progress with three wickets in the 22nd over.

Chandana, later adjudged man-of-the-match by the Bangladesh Sports Journalists and Writers' Community, was, in fact, instrumental for Bangladesh's passage to the final as the hosts pipped



Scoreboard of the Sri Lanka-Pakistan match in the SAARC cricket tournament at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday:

SRI LANKA:				
Samaraweera b Zafar Iqbal	1			
Hathurusinghe b H. Kazim	7			
Atapattu lbw b Zafar Iqbal	0			
De Saram b Zafar Iqbal	8			
Arnold c Sajid Ali b Ejaz	47			
Jayantha lbw b Nadim Khan	22			
Chandana c Sajid Ali b H. Kazim	0			
Dunusinghe run out	2			
Labrooy b Zafar Iqbal	0			
Villavarayan c Ejaz b Zafar Iqbal	7			
Jayantha Silva not out	1			
Extras: (b-6, lb-8, wb-28, nb-10)	52			
Total: (all out, 49.5 overs)	147			
Fall of wickets: 1-16; 2-16; 3-28; 4-42; 5-98; 6-100; 7-120; 8-122; 9-141.				
Bowling:				
	O	M	R	W
H. Kazim	10	0	37	2
Naem Ashraf	10	3	17	0
Zafar Iqbal	10	3	29	5
Ghulam Ali	3	0	9	0
Nadim Khan	7	0	17	1
Ejaz Ahmed	9.5	1	25	1

PAKISTAN:				
Rameez Raja st. Dunusinghe b. Jayantha Silva	59			
Sajid Ali c Atapattu b Villavarayan	2			
Ghulam Ali c Samaraweera b Labrooy	10			
Zahid Fazal st. Dunusinghe b. Chandana	41			
Ejaz Ahmed c Hathurusinghe b. Chandana	5			
Naem Ashraf lbw b Chandana	0			
Mahmood Hamid c and b. Chandana	0			
Rifaqat Ali b Arnold	1			
Zafar Iqbal b Jayantha Silva	6			
Nadim Khan not out	3			
H. Kazim not out	4			
Extras: (b-9, lb-2, wb-5, nb-1)	17			
Total (9 wks, 34.4 overs)	148			
Fall of wickets: 1-5; 2-24; 3-98; 4-106; 5-106; 6-106; 7-109; 8-131; 9-137.				
Bowling:				
	O	M	R	W
Labrooy	7	0	28	1
Villavarayan	4	0	21	1
Hathurusinghe	6	0	26	0
Jayantha Silva	5	1	28	2
Chandana	8.4	0	22	4
Arnold	3	1	12	1

## FINAL STANDINGS

Standings of the SAARC cricket tournament (tabulate under teams, matches, wins, losses, draws, points and net run-rate):

India	3	2	1	0	4	+712
Bangladesh	3	2	1	0	4	+041
Pakistan	3	2	1	0	4	-041
Sri Lanka	3	0	3	0	0	-0647

## Nunez recovering

BANGKOK, Dec 27: Flyweight boxer Danny Nunez of the Dominican Republic, who was hospitalised with head injuries after losing a title bid, showed improvement Tuesday but remained in intensive care, a doctor said, reports AP.

Nunez, the eighth-ranked challenger, was stopped in the 11th round Sunday by World Boxing Association champion Saen Sor Ploenchit of Thailand.

Nunez, 27, was listed in stable condition at Bangkok's Bamrungrad Hospital. He lost consciousness right after the fight and was diagnosed as suffering from hemorrhaging and swelling of the brain.

Nunez fought a spirited fight, but was at a disadvantage after Saen opened cuts on his forehead and above his eye in the early rounds.

Saen, 23, pummeled Nunez for almost a minute when he had him trapped against the ropes in the eighth round, but the challenger recovered some vigor in the ninth, only to receive more punishment in the 10th.

With strength spent, Nunez did little but stumble around the ring for about 45 seconds in the 11th round, when Saen knocked him down and the referee stopped the fight as he shakily stood up.

Moments later, Nunez lost consciousness and was taken to the hospital in Rayong, site of the match, 145 kilometers (90 miles) southeast of Bangkok.

Dr. Panit Tientanue of Bamrungrad Hospital said Nunez did not require any surgery but will be given another computer scan Wednesday and be kept under observation at the hospital for a week.

"After 12 hours, the blood and swelling in the patient's brain went down and his condition is better," said Panit, who added that Nunez is able to speak.

Panit said the injury is not career-threatening and that Nunez told him that he will continue boxing "because I want to be a champ."

The injury was the first of its kind for Nunez, who has a career record of 25 victories and three losses. Saen now has an 18-0 record.

Songchai Ratanasuban, promoter of the match, called Nunez "a tough fighter" and said he should fully recover in three to six months.

Songchai said that after Nunez's recovery at the hospital, his promotion company would provide him with first-class hotel accommodations in Bangkok as well as a first-class ticket back to the Dominican Republic.



Pakistan captain Rameez Raja looks back only to find his castle in ruins as Sri Lankan wicket keeper C Dunusinghe cashing in on a momentary lapse of vigilance whips the bails off slow left-arm, Silva's bowling during yesterday's match of the SAARC cricket tournament at the Dhaka Stadium.

## Peter May passes away



LIPTROT, England, Dec 27: Prime Minister John Major led the tributes to Peter May, one of England's finest batsmen and respected cricket officials, who died Tuesday after a short illness at age 64, reports AP.

Scorer of 4,537 runs in 66 Tests between 1951-61, the Surrey batsman was one of England's most successful captains even though he quit Test cricket comparatively early at 31 and retired from the game two years later because of business commitments.

"Peter May was one of the greatest batsmen English cricket has ever produced," Major said.

"He played cricket and life in a way few people could match. He will leave behind a legacy of personal and cricketing memories that many will treasure."

Although he quit playing,



PETER MAY

May continued to serve English cricket in many capacities, as a selector and Chairman of the MCC (Marylebone Cricket Club) in 1980-81.

May scored 138 on his Test debut against South Africa at Headingley in 1951 and in all

hit 13 Test hundreds. His highest score was the 285 not out he made against the West Indies at Edgbaston in 1957.

He captained England for a record 41 Tests, winning 20 and losing 10. In his first-class career, from 1948-63, he totalled 27,592 runs at an average of 51.00 including 85 centuries.

"He will go down as one of the finest (players) of all time," former England fast bowler Fred Trueman said.

"He retired at a young age. Had it not been for the pressure of business he would have gone on to make many more runs and win many more caps and would certainly have made 100 first-class centuries."

Colin Cowdrey, who shared one of May's greatest achievements with their England record partnership of 411 against the West Indies in 1957, called him his "closest friend in cricket."

## Kiwis strike back

DURBAN, Dec 27: New Zealand put the disappointment of a poor first day behind them to strike back brilliantly at South Africa Tuesday in their second cricket Test, reports AP.

At the close of a second successive truncated day's play the South Africans were struggling on 122 for five — still 63 runs short of New Zealand's first innings 185.

The visitors' fightback was first sparked by a 66-run eighth-wicket partnership by Shane Thomson (82) and Danny Morrison (24 not out) and was finally ignited by a haul of three for 32 by seamer Simon Doull.

With a total of 51.4 overs already lost to bad light, the South Africans, who were hoping to level the three-Test series in Durban, are now looking at an Everest.

The Kiwis, 130 for eight overnight, were basically let off the hook by a somewhat lacklustre South African performance in Tuesday's opening session.

From 110 for two South Africa were pegged back to 122 for five — three wickets for the addition of only 12 runs, and their hopes of squaring the series had taken a serious knock.

## SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the second day of the second cricket Test between South Africa and New Zealand at Kingsmead on Tuesday:

NEW ZEALAND: First innings (130/8 overnight)				
B Young b Jack	2			
D Murray c Richardson	0			
b De Villiers	38			
S Fleming c Jack	4			
b De Villiers	4			
M Crowe c De Villiers	18			
b Jack	18			
K Rutherford c Commins	0			
b De Villiers	0			
S Thomson c Kirsten	82			
b De Villiers	82			
A Parore c Kirsten	5			
b McMillan	5			
M Hart c Cronje b McMillan	5			
S Doull c Richardson	0			
McMillan	0			
D Morrison not out	24			
C Pringle c Kirsten	0			
b De Villiers	0			
Extras: (lb-4, nb-3)	7			
Total: (all out) 185-82 overs				
Fall of wickets: 1/9; 2/19; 3/62; 4/65; 5/66; 6/102; 7/114; 8/114; 9/180.				
Bowling:				
	O	M	R	W
De Villiers	24	7	64	5
Jack	16	7	32	2
Matthews	19	11	37	0
McMillan	19	8	40	3
Cronje	4	1	8	0

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Matthews 19 11 37 0

McMillan 19 8 40 3

Cronje 4 1 8 0

Extras: (lb-4, nb-3) 7

Total: (for 5 wks) 122-46.2 overs (bad light stopped play)

Fall of wickets: 1/13; 2/61; 3/110; 4/111; 5/122.

Bowling: O M R W

Morrison 11.2 3 28 1

Doull 16 5 42 3

Pringle 7 2 16 0

Hart 12 2 33 1

## Ma's avarice

BEIJING, Dec 27: China's top athletics trainer, Ma Junren, has kept most of the money and prizes won by his superwomen athletes, the Liberation Daily said today, reports Reuter.

It said Ma had three Mercedes Benz cars and had spent seven million yuan (\$25,000 dollar) on a training centre in Dalian, northeast China, out of total winnings of his athletes of 10 million yuan (1.2 million dollar).

## WTA's top 20

ST PETERSBURG, Florida, Dec 27: Leading women's tennis rankings issued by the WTA Tour on Sunday, reports Reuter.

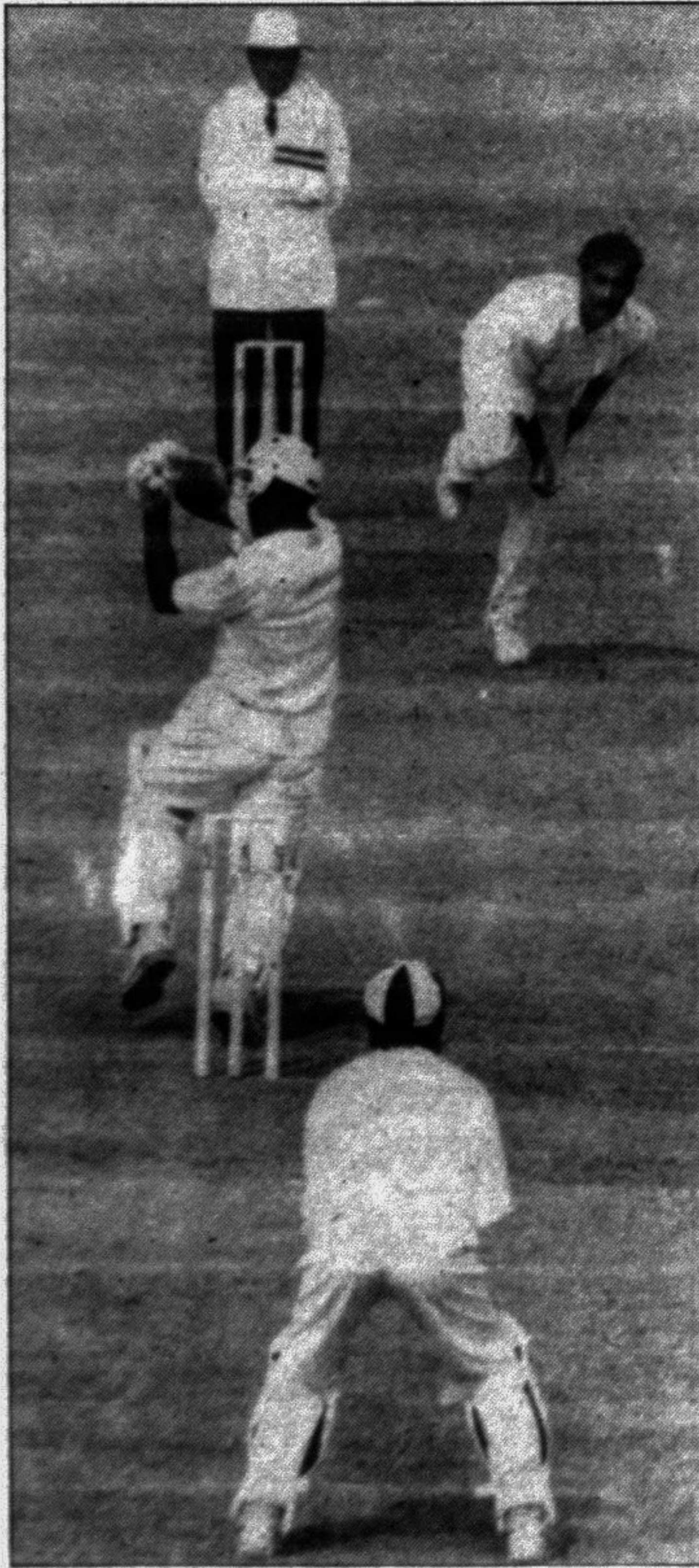
1. Steffi Graf (Germany)
2. Arantxa Sanchez Vicario (Spain)
3. Conchita Martinez (Spain)
4. Jana Novotna (Czech Republic)
5. Mary Pierce (France)
6. Lindsay Davenport (US)
7. Gabriela Sabatini (Argentina)
8. Martina Navratilova (US)
9. Kimiko Date (Japan)
10. Natasha Zvereva (Belarus)
11. Magdalena Maleeva (Bulgaria)
12. Anke Huber (Germany)
13. Iva Majoli (Croatia)
14. Mary Joe Fernandez (US)
15. Brenda Schultz (Netherlands)
16. Amy Frazier (US)
17. Lori McNeil (US)
18. Amanda Coetzer (South Africa)
19. Sabine Hack (Germany)
20. Ines Gorrochategui (Argentina)

## Chana retains WBA crown

BANGKOK, Dec 27: Unleashing powerful hooks round after round, Thailand's Chana Por Pao-In outpointed Miguel Herrera of the Dominican Republic Saturday to retain his World Boxing Association minimum-weight crown, reports AP.

The judges scored it 115-113, 115-111 and 114-112 in favour of the 26-year-old Thai, who was making the seventh defense of his title. The 12-round bout was staged in the southern city of Hat Yai and televised nationwide.

In a contest of speed versus power, Herrera was able to use his quick jabs and longer reach to advantage but could not compensate for the Thai's far more powerful punching.



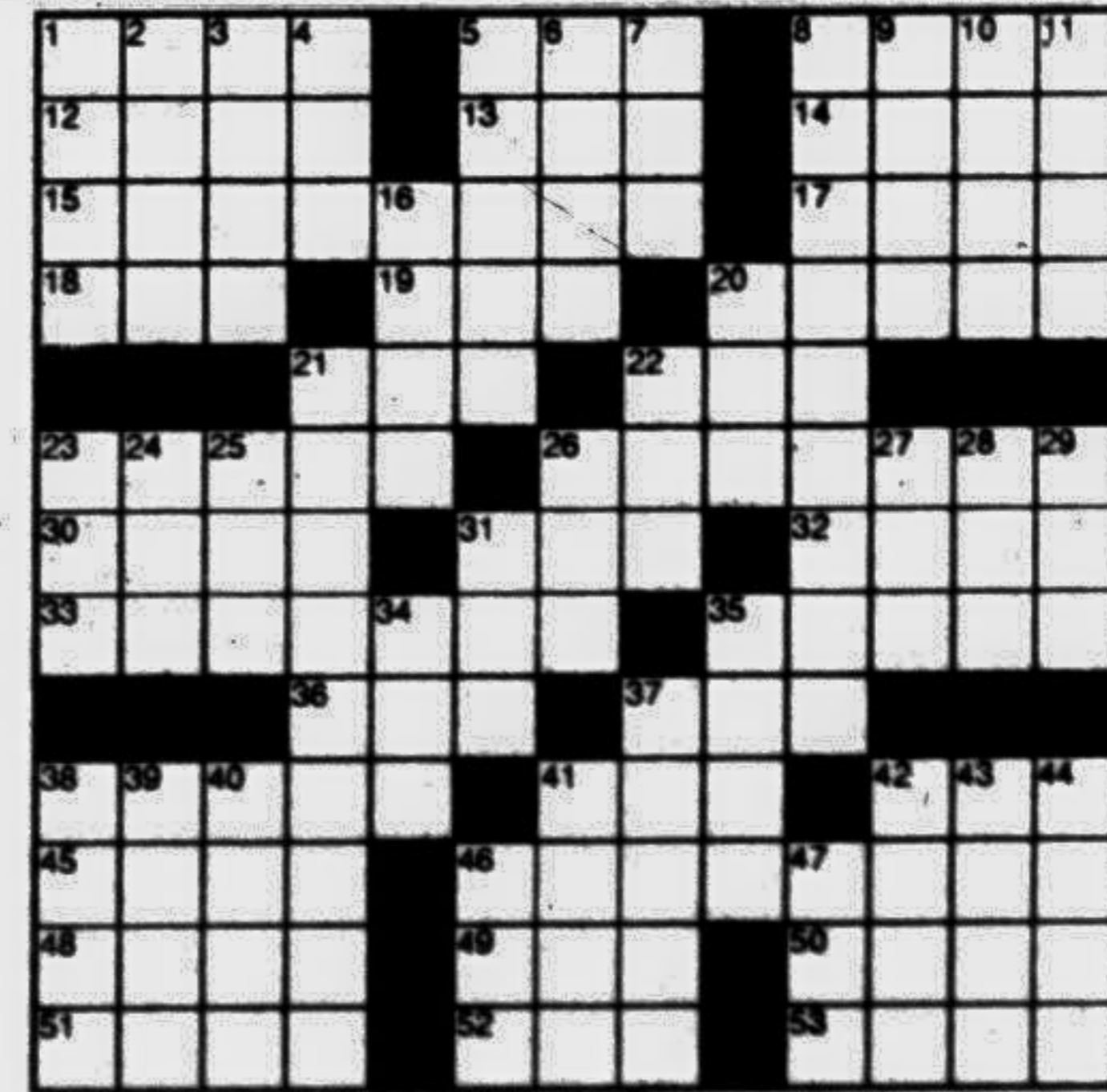
Sri Lankan lower-order batsman Villavarayan hooks Pakistani pacer Zafar Iqbal only to be caught by Ejaz (not in the picture) at mid-wicket during the last round robin league engagement of the SAARC cricket tournament at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday. Pakistan won the match by one wicket.

## CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS		DOWN	
1 Clarinetist's device	5 Spotted	1 July stone	11 Corrode
8 Water pipe	12 Desire	2 Huron's neighbor	16 Hautboy
13 Prompt	14 "— the Mood for Love"	3 Quiche maker's needs	20 Lose firmness
15 NYSE	17 Festive	4 She's on her way out	21 Cannon of W.W.I
18 Absolutely	19 Corset-shop buy	5 Frightening	22 Crib
20 Prison guard, slangily	21 Tarzan's offspring	6 Emanation	23 Filch
22 Scroogean shout	23 Fiber-yielding shrub	7 Become one	24 Clay, today
26 Billy of "Carousel"	30 Couturier Cassini	8 Important person	25 Actress Ryan
31 Bradstreet's partner	32 Green land	9 Gen. Bradley	26 Rose, once
33 "Sesame"		10 Cleo's waterway	27 Sass
			28 Raw rock
			29 Cyst
			31 Joanne of films
			34 Author Fleming
			35 Favorable votes
			37 Phony
			38 Vendition
			39 Cover completely
			40 Expel
			41 Two —
			42 Jupiter's counterpart
			43 Persisting
			44 Land in the water
			46 Implore
			47 Border

Solution time: 27 mins.

FCC	ALP	CRAG
AHAB	HIS	HERE
NEMO	AMA	EXAM
GREAT	BLOC	
RIB	MAKING	
MOLDERS	SEDAN	
ADAM	AIM	ROMA
JONES	DOUBLET	
ARDENT	MAO	
TYRO	RAJAH	
JEDI	ABC	ROPE
OVEN	PIA	DOUSE
BANG	SEW	RED



## CRYPTOQUIP

BJ JWZRNQP XBJUWSRVX  
JUV BJSJ QE NV JUV  
KBTTT KBP JUV PJRTT  
TRAW NA JUV EBSJL

Yesterday's Cryptogram: THE BEST SEASON TO BUILD A MOUSETRAP MIGHT INDEED BE SPRING.

Today's Cryptogram clue: X equals G

The Cryptogram 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.