

Nat'l snooker from tomorrow

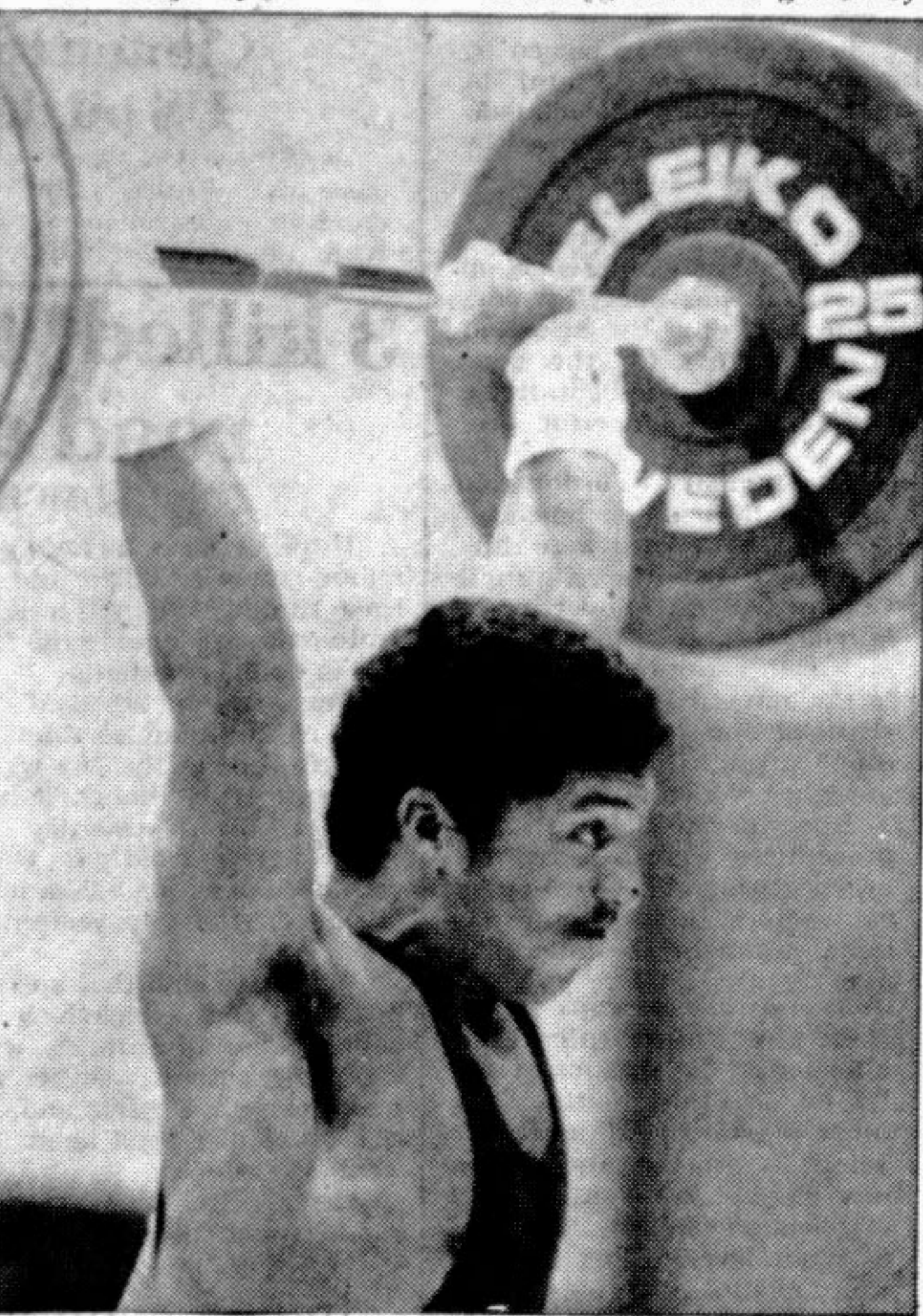
Sports Reporter
Fifty seven cueists from eight affiliated clubs of the Bangladesh Billiards and Snooker Federation (BBSF) will go in action when the 11th national snooker championship begins at the Dhaka Club billiards room from tomorrow.

Anand, Kamsky draw Game 4

LAS PALMAS, Canary Islands, Mar 14: Despite being a pawn down, Indian Grandmaster Viswanathan Anand held American Gata Kamsky to a draw in the fourth game of the Professional Chess Association candidates final series here Monday, reports AP.

US gold rush continues

MAR DEL PLATA, Argentina, Mar 14: The United States is having a beach party in the water and on it at the Pan American Games, reports AP.



Cuban Aranda Quintero is in action during the snatch competition in the 64-kg category at the Pan-American Games in Mar del Plata, Argentina on Mar 13.

Led by a teenager with family ties to Argentina and a veteran who's living at the new resident training centre at Colorado Springs, Colorado, the United States won three more swimming golds Monday night.



Cristina Teuscher won her second gold of the games by capturing the 200-meter freestyle.

hoped for an impressive performance in front of her parents, sister, two grandmothers and two cousins, the latter four from Buenos Aires.

The men's 800 relay team of Jon Olsen, Josh Davis, Ryan Berube and Greg Burgess won in 7:21.61, nearly two seconds ahead of the Pan Am record set in 1991, Brazil was second and Mexico third.

John Roethlisberger was second in the men's all-around gymnastics event, behind Cuba's Erick Lopez.

From NASA for natants

MAR DEL PLATA, Argentina, Mar 14: State-of-the-art swimsuits, made partly of silicon and tested by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), are helping some United States swimmers go significantly faster, reports Reuter.

Swimmers say they are delighted with the new suits and say they can help them cut between half a second and a second off times over one hundred meters.

Not in Olympics
MAR DEL PLATA, Mar 14: Olympic chief Juan Antonio Samaranch said on Monday he would not oppose prize money at major athletics championships, but would object to payments to athletes at the Olympic Games, reports Reuter.



Cuban Javier Sotomayor soars over the bar to win the men's high jump competition at the fifth World Indoor Athletics Championship in Barcelona on Mar 12.

Absent, not out of mind

BARCELONA, Mar 13: Gothenburg-bound giants Irina Privalova, Sergey Bubka, Merlene Ottey and Javier Sotomayor did their best, but they never quite cast off the brooding shadow of Linford Christie at the World Indoor Championships, reports AFP.

lene Ottey, however. The Jamaican eased to a comfortable 60m triumph here, giving her an unmatched sixth world indoor medal.

door medal, more than any other male athlete in history. Not bad for a man supposedly out of form.

also have been dominant. They added three gold medals and three silver to the six medals, three gold, they won the previous night.

Craig Hedrick won the 10,000-meter points final, his second gold. Tony Muse took the 500 after winning a silver in the 300 on Sunday.

Indonesians sure as ever

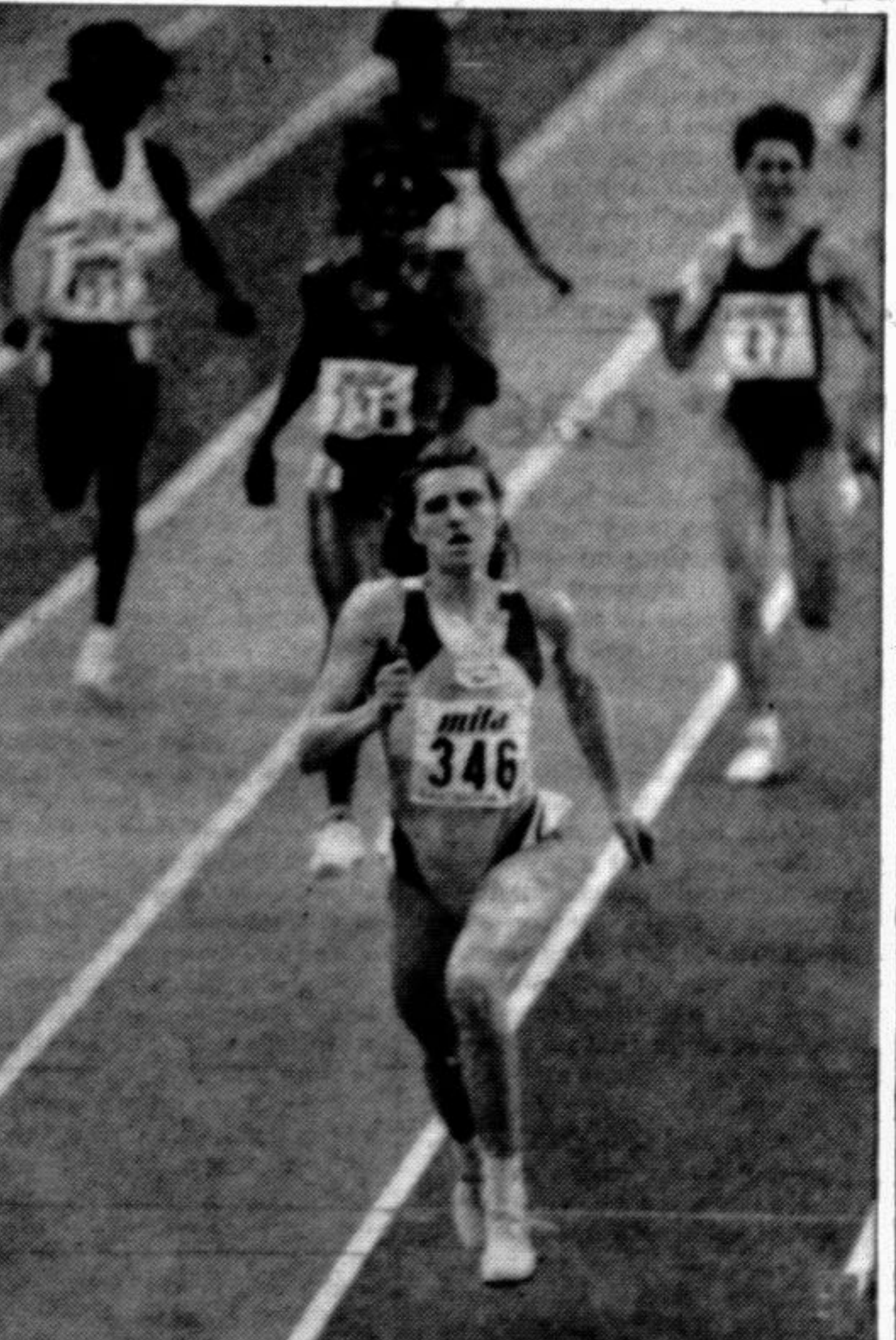
BIRMINGHAM, England, Mar 14: Indonesia's all-conquering badminton players look set to land the singles titles at the All-England Championships this week even without Olympic men's champion Allan Budi Kusuma, reports Reuter.

years but has not been able to join such great Danes as four-times champion Morten Frost on the All-England winners list.

trying to become the first player to capture three successive singles titles here since his great compatriot Rudy Hartono Ore than 20 years ago.

Bowe-Tyson bout on cards?

INDIANAPOLIS, Mar 14: Riddick Bowe met Mike Tyson in prison Monday night, and the two boxers talked about a possible \$120 million fight after the former heavyweight champion is released, reports AP.



Russian Irina Privalova powers home to win the women's 400m final at the fifth World Indoor Athletics Championship in Barcelona on Mar 12.

Japan to host 3rd EA Games
SEOUL, Mar 14: The 10-member East Asian Games Association has decided to hold their third quadrennial games in Japan in 2001, sports officials said Tuesday, reports AP.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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Cryptogram puzzle grid with letters A-M, N-P, Q-R, S-T, U-X, Y-Z.

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Yesterday's Cryptiquip: FAMOUS MARATHON RACER HAD A SURGE OF ENERGY AND PRACTICED THREE DAYS RUNNING.