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for 6 at Antigua

Sports Reporter

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# Pakistan complete rout



SHARJAH, Apr 8: Pakistan decima ted non-Test pla ying Bangladesh by six wickets in the fifth Asia Cup cricket nournament Saturday.

with Wasim Akram and Inzamamul Haq playing key roles in that triumph. reports AP. Bangladesh, defeated for

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Pakistan beat India by 97 runs Friday and await the outcome of the India-Sri Lanka encounter on Slinday to determine who plays in next Friday's final.

Wasim Akram and Inzamamul Haq, who played a big part in the victory over India. again tore apart the Bangladeshi attack and ended the match with a total of 152 runs for the loss of four wickets in just 29.4 overs.

They were replying to Bangladesh's score of 151 for 8.

After Aamer Sohail had blitzed, through with six boundaries to score 30 runs in 29 balls, paceman Saiful Islam tempted the opener to loft a short-pitched delivery to Naimur Rahman Durjoy, who made no mistake at square-leg.

Saeed Anwar (18) and Ghulam Ali (38) followed, both helping Pakistan to 106.

Inzamam steadied the innings with 29 runs in 34 balls. but not before seeing Asif Mujtaba being bowled for a duck by Athar Ali.

Wasim Akram came on after the fall of Mujtaba's wicket and pulverized the opposition. slamming 30 runs in 23 balls. including three boundaries and two sixes. The last hit over the fence completed the Bangladeshi rout. Earlier, a fifth-wicket part-

nership of 72 runs was the only redeeming factor of the Bangladeshi teani, who lost four wickets in 10.3 overs for just 19 runs.

Khalid Masud Pilot struck an unbeaten 27 to help Bangladesh complete their full quota of 50 overs.

BSS adds: Bangladesh lost to India by nine wickets in the inaugural encounter and to Sri Lanka by 107 runs in their next match on April 6.

Skipper Akram Khan, who aggregated the highest 92 from three matches among the Bangladesh expressed disappointment in both his side's batting and fielding.

He said. "We could have done little better, but we miserably failed to discharge our responsibilities in all respects."

The Bangladesh team included eight new faces and they all need more experience and big-match temperament,

Cricket's "Little Master" Sunil Gavaskar told BSS immediately after today's match that Bangladesh's young cricketers should develop their fielding vastly along with the other aspects of their game.

"They lack a lot regarding running between the wickets and unless they improve all these things, cricket in Bangladesh will not go up," he said

### ACOG caught off guard

ATLANTA, Apr 8: Olympic organizers and state officials say they were caught off guard by complaints that international travel agents had been quoted exorbitant prices for hotel rooms in Atlanta for the 1996 Summer Games, reports

"That this is raising its ugly head is something we need to find out about," said Rick Layton, hotel executive for the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games. "It reflects on all of us."

Carolyn Mills, a spokeswoman for the Governor's Office of Consumer Affairs, said no reports of price gouging

have been filed. The Legislature last year outlawed price gouging during the 1996 Games. Hotel owners, tour operators and wholesalers are allowed to charge up to 5.7 percent more than their

published 1994 room rates. But tour agents representcommittees of the Bahamas, United Kingdom, Estonia, Ar-

ing the national Olympic gentina and other countries said the rates have been much higher. The agents were in Atlanta for an Olympic travel and tourism trade show, which concluded Friday.

The foreign tour agents said the rates quoted came from local real estate companies or tour operators — not the hotel operators themselves.

Several foreign travel agents said the booking companies are requiring reservations for stays well beyond the Olympics or requiring package room deals that include meals or transportation.

Pakistan team manager Salim Altaf said, although Pakistan have won the match. Bangladesh also played well. He said the Bangladesh bowlers managed to send back four leading Pakistani batsmen to the pavilion with just 107

run on the board. "Bangladesh should play more international matches against superior teams abroad. which is very much essential for raising the standard of cricketers from countries like Bangladesh," he said.

Chasing a target of 152 to win, Pakistan played only 29.4 overs to wrap up the victory. before a handful crowd at the

Once again Bangladesh plunged into deep crisis, losing their first four wickets for just 19 runs. But the experienced Aminul Islam Bulbul and skipper Akram Khan defied the pressure to produce 72 runs to ensure some sort of respectability before Bulbul was caught and bowled by Arshad Khan for 42, which was studded with four boundaries.

Akram Khan scored a patient 44 which included three boundaries. Khaled Masud Pilot batted well to remain not out

Wasim Akram improved his record as the highest wickettaker in one-day internationals by taking another two to increase his tally to 272 from 188 matches. He got Athar Ali Khan caught behind and bowled Habibul Bashar Sumon for a duck.

India's Kapil Dev is the second highest wicket-taker in one-dayers with 251 scalps.

Athar who received some advice from the World famous English cricketer Geoff Boycott just before the match, again failed to dazzle and was out for only two runs after. playing 16 balls.

Aamir Nazir bowled the other opener Javed Omar Belim Golla for nine. Nazir. with the third ball of the same over had Minhazul Abedin Nannu caught behind for nought.

Nannu had made 21 against India and 26 against Sri Lanka. Aminul Islam Bulbul was the second most successful batsmeet scoring 72 runs from the three games.

Aamir Nazir took two wickets for 23 while Arshad Khan got one for 29.

Aaquib Javed, who destroyed India with five for 19 Friday conceded 29 runs without getting a wicket in his 10

With today's match, Bangladesh have played 12 one-day internationals, losing all of them.

### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Bangladesh-Pakistan match in the Asia Cup cricket championship at the Shariah Stadium here

BANGLADESH

Athar A. Khan c Moin b Wasim Akram Zaved Omar Golla b A. Nazir Habibul Bashar Sumon b Wasim Akram A.I. Bulbul c and b Arshad Khan M. A. Nannu c Moin b A. Nazir Akram Khan run out N R Durjoy run out Khaled M Pilot not out E. H Mont run out Saiful Islam not out Extras : (lb-1, nb-4, wb-9) Total: (8 wkts, 50 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-12: 2-16;

Bowling 0 25 Wasim Akram 10 Zafar Igbal Arshad Khan -10 0 29 Aaguib Javed 10 0 29 Aamir Nazir 0 23 1 36 Aamir Sohail

Aamir Sohail c Durjoy b S Islam 30 Saeed Anwar e Pilot b Shanto Ghulam Ali c and b Durjoy Inzamamul Hug not out Asif Mujtaba b Athar Ali Wasim Akram not out Extras : (b-1, wb-6) Total: (four wickets: 29.4 overs) 152 Fall of wickets: 1-35; 2-68;

wickets

man for Bangladesh in the

WASIM AKRAM ... man-of-the-match

Five district tea-

ms - Barisal, Na-

ravangani, Rang-

pur, Tangail and

Mymensingh -

moved into the

zonal finals of the 21st Pepsi

Cup national cricket champi-

onship winning their respec-

tive semifinals at different zo-

nal venues across the country.

DSA advanced to the zonal final

eliminating Jhenidah by 77

runs to meet Khulna on Mon-

overs. Totan 79, Faruque 25;

Roy 3/25. Tuhin 3/28 and

34.3 overs. Babu 30, Rahim 18,

Tuhin 15; Niaz 3/26, Faruque

In Zone B at Barisal, Naray

angani DSA defeated Faridpur

by 52 runs to face Narsingdi in

the zonal final, also on Monday.

45 overs. Bidyut 87, Zakaria

21, Wahid 19; Sohel 3/28 and

Pappu 19; Babu 3/21, Zakaria

In Zone D at Thakurgaon,

Narayangani: 214 all out in

2/17 and Totan 2/11.

2/4 and Wahid 2/20.

In Zone A at Jessore, Barisal

Barisal: 183 all out in 38.5

Jhenidah: 106 all out in

reports UNB.

Rahim 2/33.

Asad 3/28.

Pepsi Cup nat'l championship

more in zonal finals

Nilphamari.

or Sherpur.

Sohel 2/22.

and Ripon 2/29.

Rangpur DSA beat Cha-

painawabganj by 16 runs to

play in the zonal final against

overs. Pallab 49, Enamul 41;

Milan 30, Sujoy 29; Sayeed

gail DSA defeated Chuadanga

by two wickets to quality for

the zonal final on Monday.

They will meet either Rajshahi

37.2 overs. Santu 26, Shuvro

22; Rubel 3/26, Liton 2/5 and

overs. Sajjad 34. Shamim Jr

19: Russel 3/19, Shuvro 2/21

Mymemsingh DSA registered a

massive 118-run victory over

Bangladesh University of Engi-

neering and Technology (BUET)

to meet Pabna in the zonal

Mymensingh: 192 for 9 in

BUET: 74 all out in 40

overs. Hassan 29; Iqbal 2/6.

Billu 2/9 and Zakir 2/13.

final, also on Monday.

Faridpur: 162 all out in 41.3 45 overs. Zakir 36, Tushar 34;

overs. Mukul 32. Sohel 31, Mahmood 3/35 and Rais 2/42.

Tangail: 134 for 8 in 41.1

In Zone G at Tangail,

Chuadanga: 133 all out in

Mitu 2/18 and Javed 2/27.

Rangpur: 190 for 8 in 45

Chapainawabganj: Himel 424

In Zone F at Rangpur, Tan-



the crease. Earlier, Windles skipper Richie Richardson won the toss and put the tourists in to

off to a relatively good start. Skipper Mark Taylor and Michael Slater put on 82 before the stand was broken almost at the stroke of lunch.

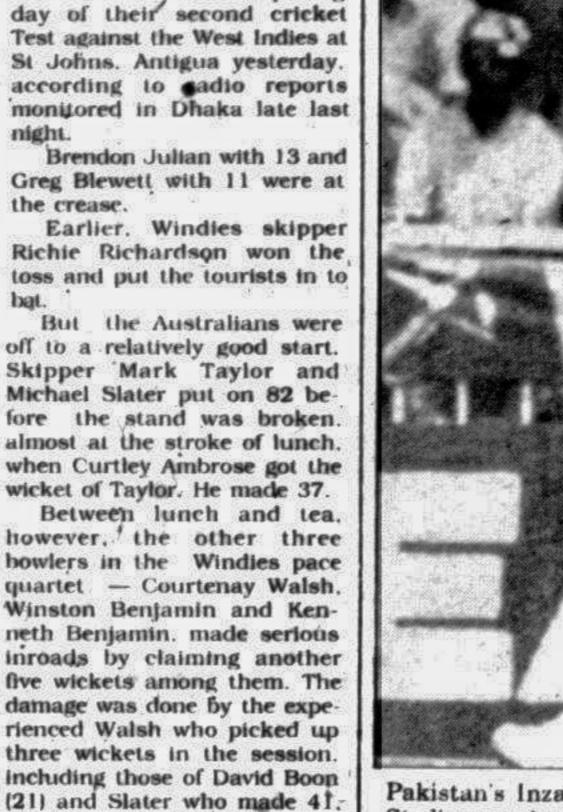
3-19; 4-19; 5-91; 6-97; 7-119;

PAKISTAN

3-106; 4-107 R Bowling: Satful Islam 33 20 0 E.H. Moni 0 10 Athar Ali Khar 0 43 H. H Shanto N R Durtoy 29 0 16 M A Nannu

Result: Pakistan won by 6 Man-of-the-match: Wasim

Akram, Pakistan. Sunday's match: India vs Sri



Steve Waugh made 16. The Australians lost two wickets, the fourth and the fifth, at the same total of 126. The sixth wicket fell at 152.

till then the highest score.

Winston and Kenneth Benjamin picked up one wicket each to put the Australians who emphatically won the first Test in Barbados last week on the defensive.

### CJKP cricket

CHITTAGONG. Apr 8 Shaheed Shajahan Sangha beat Elite Paint Club by 48-runs in the CJKP Ispahani cricket league at the Chittagong Stadium here today, reports BSS.

Shaheed Shajahan Sangha batted first and scored 114 runs for the loss of eight wick ets in the stipulated 40 overs. In reply Elite Paint Club

ground. Sohel hammered 72 runs in Narayangani's total of were all out for 66 runs in 23.4 188 all out after they won the toss and elected to use the wicket.

## Hibs-Celtic match drawn

GLASGOW, Apr 8: Hibernian goalkeeper Jim Leighton saved a 74th-minute penalty from Andy Walker as Hibs held Celtic to a scoreless draw Friday night in the semifinals of the Scottish Cup, reports AP. The teams will replay the

match on Tuesday, again at Celtic, seeking their first

trophy in six years, dominated the game and forced 14 corner kicks to one for Hibs, but they couldn't get past 37-year-old Leighton.

The other semifinal. Hearts vs. Airdrie, will be played Saturday at Hampden Park in Edinburgh.

# Bundesliga results

FRANKFURT. Apr 8: Two goals by Stephan Passlack helped Bayer Uerdingen to a 4-1 Bundesliga victory over Stuttgart Friday and two big points in the fight to avoid relegation, reports AP.

Passlack scored in the ninth and 52nd. Heiko Laessing got one in the 40th and Markus Feldhoff 'netted the fourth in the 87th minute for the hosts before 8,000 fans.

Carlos Dunga, the Brazilian World Cup captain, got the only goal for Stuttgart with a brilliant long-range shot in the

Bochum, another relegation threatened team, played to a 0-0 draw against Hamburger SV before 22,000 fans.

## US, Russian grapplers lead

CHATTANOOGA, Apr 8: Defending champion United States was tied with Russia going into Saturday's final round of the freestyle World Cup wrestling tournament, reports

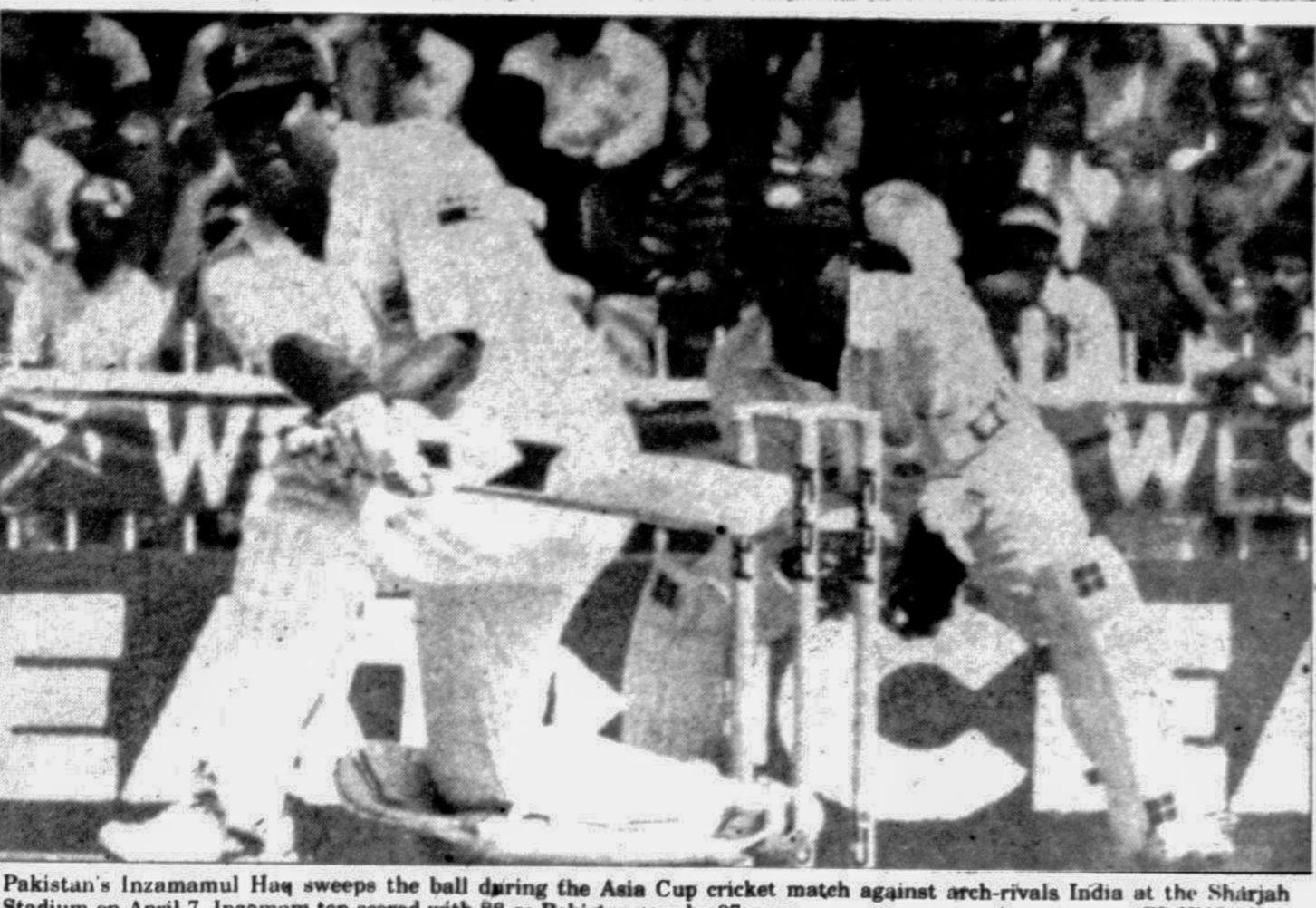
The Americans notched an impressive 29-8 win Friday over defending world champion Turkey and later defeated Iran 23-11. The Americans won nine of 10 bouts against the Turks and stole four victories from the Iranians to stay undefeated in team competi-

Earlier in the day, the Americans stopped Canada 31 5 to put them at 3-0 and even with Russia, which defeated Japan, Canada and Turkey.

"The wins at 198 and 220 (pounds -90 and 100 kg) were big," US coach Dan Gable said after the victory over Iran. "Dominic Black and Kurt Angle were like dynamite. It makes you feel real good. I think we've done what we had to

The United States was sent to battle Japan (0-3) Saturday morning followed by taking on the Russians in the afternoon. "We're going to have a hard

time beating them." Gable said of Russia. "We've made our breaks so far. If we keep that up, then we can win the World Cup."



Stadium on April 7. Inzamam top-scored with 88 as Pakistan won by 97 runs. - AFP/UNB photo

# Nirman schools tournament

# Sohel stars for N'ganj High

Sports Reporter

Elahi 33 were the main contributors of the losers. At the Dhaka Stadium.

Scholastica beat Rajarampur Hamidullah High School of Nawabgani by six wickets. Sent in to bat after losing the toss, the Nawabgani outfit

were bowled out for 148. Nasirul held the innings together with 38.

Scholastica comfortably reached 150 for the loss of four wickets.

In an exciting match played at the eastern strip' of the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadfum. Nasirabad High School of Chittagong won by the slimmest margin against Mymensingh Zilla School.

his seven economical overs to Batting first after calling the capture three for 18 as Residential Model's innings folded

gonian school made 145.

valuable runs to their low total.

coin correctly, the Chitta-

Shafadar Ali contributed 47

for 26 off nine overs. in reply. Mymensingh fell short by only one-run with Rashedul carrying the fight to

Jainal was Mymensingh's

wrecker-in-chief, with three

his opponents right up to the end with 33. Sajal and Rakib evenly shard three wickets apiece for the

Mymensingh boys. · Bindu Bashini Govt Boys High School of Tangail posted

the biggest win of the day when they outclassed Faridpur Zilla School by a huge 113-run margin at the Jagannath Hall ground. Saikat and Mostak scoring

36 and 30 respectively powered the Tangail outfit to 234 all out when put in to bat.

Farjdpur never came to terms with such a formidable total and were shot out for 121

### FA Cup semis today their semi-final berth. All eyes on M United, Spurs



at 166.

LONDON, Apr 8: Manchester United and Tottenhim, who have each won the

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Dhaka Residential Model Sc-

English FA Cup a record eight times, start as favourites to come through this season's semifinals on Sunday against Crystal Palace and Everton respectively, reports Reuter.

But no-one will be overly surprised if United and Spurs are beaten and Palace and Everton face each other at Wembley on May 20.

Although the sings point to a win for holders United. Palace have saved their best form for Cup football this sea-If their league displays

matched their Cup form, the London side would probably be challenging for the title rather than fighting against relega-

34 league matches, Palace have scored only 25 goals - precisely the number they have scored in just 13

They demolished Wolves 4-

I in a quarter-final replay with two outstanding strikes from Chris Armstrong, who is in peak form with four goals from four games.

Palace are also optimistic that Eric Young and Chris Coleman, their Welsh international defenders will recover from injury. The only previous FA Cup

meetings between United and Palace came when United beat Palace 1-0 in the 1990 Cup final replay after a 3-3 draw.

That was United's seventh Cup success and their eighth. which equalled Tottenham's record, came last year when they beat Chelsea 4-0. United face Palace without

Frenchman Eric Cantona, who scored two penalties in last vear's final. Cantona's last match for United was the infamous game against Palace in January when he attacked a spectator and subsequently earned a suspension from the

game until September 30. United are also likely to line up at Villa Park without Andrei Kanchelskis who has a stomach strain and will definitely

be without suspended captain Steve Bruce and Cup-tied Andy Cole.

Only two clubs have won the trophy in successive years this century - Newcastle (1951-1952) and Tottenham (1961-1962 and 1981-1982) and the London side could provide a huge obstacle to United adding their name to the list. Tottenham were not even

in the competition when it started as part of their punishment for financial irregularities. But After winning an appeal for reinstatement in January, they have advanced through the rounds as if their name was already engraved on the trophy for a ninth time.

Like Tottenham, who changed manageres in November when Gerry Francis replaced Ossie Ardiles, Everton have begun to be revitalised by new manager Joe Royle, who took over from Mike Walker in November.

And Royle, who played in the Everton team beaten in the 1968 Cup final by Wester Bromwich, said it would be "a nightmare" for him.

# on winning

League match Saturday, reports AP. Yamada's first goal came nine minutes into the first half, the second one 13 min-

Yokohama, just south of Tokyo. The Marinos picked their sixth victory against one-defeat to lead the league. Grampus

Yoshiyuki Hasegawa fired the winning shot with six minutes left as the Kashima Antlers downed Verdy Kawasaki 1-0 at Kashima, northeast of Tokyo.

It was 1993-94 J-League champions Verdy's sixth straight defeat after winning the season's opening match. The

Hans Gillhaus of the Netherlands scored twice, powering .Gamba Osaka over Kashiwa Reysol 4-2 before 14.450 spectators at Kashiwa, northeast of Tokyo. Gamba are

of Tokyo:

second extra period as the

Shimizu S Pulse before 18,409 at Nihondaria, southwest of Tokyo Both teams are Before 11.266 spectators at

Hiroshima in western Japan, Atsuhiko Ejiri scored one minute into the first half, and New Zealander Wynton Rufer added one goal six minutes later as JEF United Ichihara edged Sanfrecce Hiroshima

# Tyson's fight date a secret



and his reflexes and his com-LAS VEGAS, Apr 8: Mike Tyson got up in the middle of the night to work on the heavy bag, has hired

a trainer, taken on a surgeon as a cut man and added a fitness specialist, but there was no word on when the former heavyweight champion will fight again, reports Reuter. That was the essence of an

impromptu news conference held at Caesars Palace late Friday by Tyson's long-time friends and staffers Rory Holloway and John Horne. Horne said that contrary to popular opinion. Tyson is not

looking for an easy bout the

first time he fights after

spending three years in prison for rape. Horne also seemed to be playing down a possible Tyson-George Foreman fight, saying it would be " a money fight. If that happens, if it falls in his path, "We'll take it, but that's

Holloway quoted Tyson saying. You guys watch I'm going to do very well."

never been a consideration for

Horne said one day Tyson slipped into the gym 'By himself and he went to working on the bag. He really looked good

binations looked really good." Holloway said Willie Rush. a veteran trainer of amateurs

who worked with Tyson when he was an amateur, will be one of at least two trainers to join the Tyson entourage. He said there were several other trainers being considered, but would not name them. Rush took Meldrik Taylor to



a gold medal in the 1984 Olympics and worked with him in his failed bid to beat Julio Cesar Chavez in their much anticipated rematch last

Horne said that Rush has

pounds (100 kg), which is about what he weighed for his last few fights. Tyson, who was released from an Indiana prison March 25. is in Las Vegas for Saturday's title fights, but has not

visited Tyson at his Southing-

ton. Ohio, home and that

Tyson weights about 220

met with reporters. Horne, who refused to discuss Tyson's conversion to Islam, said the 28-year-old fighter has adjusted well to freedom. Horne, who has known Tyson, along with Holloway, since childhood, said.

"We know a lot of people com-

ing out of prison" and "Mike

really uses his time well." Horne said "Yes" when asked if Tyson had matured in prison and added that the once youngest heavyweight champion in history now "Holds back more before he jumps into things.

Of criticism that promoter

Don King and others representing Tyson could have held out for a sweeter deal than the one Tyson signed with Showtime cable television and the MGM Grand Hotel here, Horne Let me tell you that none of

the super athletes come close to what Mike Tyson is getting. Horne said.

into Group A semifinal Sylhet finished Group A

Nat'l youth hockey

Sylhet move

runners-up to book the fast semifinal berth of the 14th national youth hockey championship eliminating Patuakhali by a solitary goal at the Hockey Stadium yesterday, reports Earlier, Bangladesh Krira

Shiskha Protisthan (BKSP):

Dhaka and Faridpur qualified for the semifinal 'from their respective groups, In the day's match, Khalilur Rahman scored the matchwinner for Sylhet in the 51st

minute from a nice field goal. The day's other match between Rajshahi Education Board and Jessore ended in a tame draw at the same venue.

The group title-deciding match between Dhaka and Faridpur was abandoned in the 29th minute due to heavy shower. At that time the scores were goalless. Both the teams have already confirmed

# Cute handball

Sports Reporter

Surjedov Krira Chakra defeated West Jattrabari 9-5 in the Cute premier league at the handball court adjacent to the Outer Stadium yesterday. Surjodov Kt led the first

half 5 Ls . The second half ended tour-

Marinos keep

TOKYO. Apr 8: Takahiro Yamada scored one goal in each period, giving the frontrunning Yokohama Marinos a 2-0 victory over the Nagoya Grampus Eight in a Japanese

utes into the second half before, 13.254 spectators in

are 1-6. In another match Saturday,

Antlers are 5-2.

5-2 and Reysol 3-4 On one goal each by Brazilian strikers Betinho and Almirs. Bellmare Hiratsuka blanked Jubilo Iwata 2-0 before 14,630 at Hiratsuka, southwest

Urawa Red Diamonds beat Cerezo Osaka 1-0 before 11,763 at Nagai in western Osamu Maeda scored two goals, leading the Yokohama Flugels to a 3-2 triumph over

Masahiro Fukuda hit a win

ning shot five minutes into the