Munna. Navan, Tutul and

Referee: SM Mansur Azad

Meanwhile, in the day's

SPLIT POINTS

Jahangir.



Two superb strikes by Jalalus ddin helped oungmen's lub Fakirerpool to register a 2-1

win over Agrani Bank SC in one of the two Lifebuoy Premier Division football league engagements at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Jalal, after winning a cross from Apu from just outside the Agrani box, dodged two defenders before striking the ball home in the 27th minute with a neatly placed right-

Though Fakirerpool dominated proceedings for the first 45 minutes they could only enjoy a solitary goal lead at the break.

In the 69th minute Jalal doubled the margin with left footer utilising a Rana cross from the right side of the Bank box.

The Bankers, who spent most of the period in their own half, managed one successful raid into the opposition's territory in the 74th minute, when Tutul latching onto a Akhter pass fired home a grounder from close past Fakirerpool custodian Bijon. With this win. Fakirerpool's collection stood at nine points from six out ings while Agrani's miserable tally remained at four from same the number of matches.

Yellow card: Akhtar and Tutul (Agrani Bank).

TEAMS YOUNGMEN'S CLUB FAK-

IRERPOOL: Bijon, Gobinda. Masum, Ibrahim, Montu, Apu.

## Ince prefers to be in charge

CAVALESE, Italy, July 21: England midfielder Paul Ince wants his new Internazionale Milan teammates to call him by the same nickname he had at Manchester United, reports Reuter.

"At Manchester everyone called me 'Guy,' " he told reporters at the Inter training camp in the Dolomites.

MILAN, July 21:

Dutch striker

Marco Van Bas-

ten, whose car-

cer appeared

finished one to an ankle

injury two years ago, is back

in training with AC Milan, re-

full of hope that he will re-

turn," said team owner and

former prime minister Silvio

Berlusconi presenting the

"But we must be realistic.

Only a miracle could allow us

to see him play again," he

told fans gathered at the

former European champions

pean player-of-the-year was

back on the front pages of

the Italian sports papers on

Thursday, praising the club's

ternational Baggio, Liberian

George Weah and Portugal's

Paulo Futre were an exciting

team that should win as well

this year's European Cup fi-

nal, have spent millions of

dollars this summer in an ef-

fort to return to their form of

one year ago when they won

the European Cup and their

third consecutive Serie A ti-

lion dollars on signing Baggio

from champions and old ri-

6 million dollars for Weah.

the African player-of-the-

veir, from Paris St Germain

They spent about 14 mil-

They also paid a reported

Milan, defeated by Ajax in

as entertain.

vals Juventus.

Berlusconi said Italian in-

new signing Roberto Baggio.

The 30-year-old ex-Euro-

training ground near Milan.

new squad on Thursday.

'Van Basten has arrived

ports Reuter.

**Sports Reporter** Mamun (Sohel Rana). Askar other fixture Arambagh Krira Babu, Asif. Amin Rana and Sangha and Rahmatgani MFS Jalaluddin. split points in a 1-1 draw at AGRANI BANK: Manu. the same venue played un-Kala. Rafiq. Raj. Panah (Moider floodlights. Rahmatganj n). Rajani. Sentu (Akhtar). took control of the game

> from the word go. Vladimir scored for the Rahmatganj in the 25th minute and Jahangir levelled the margin in the 74th minute.

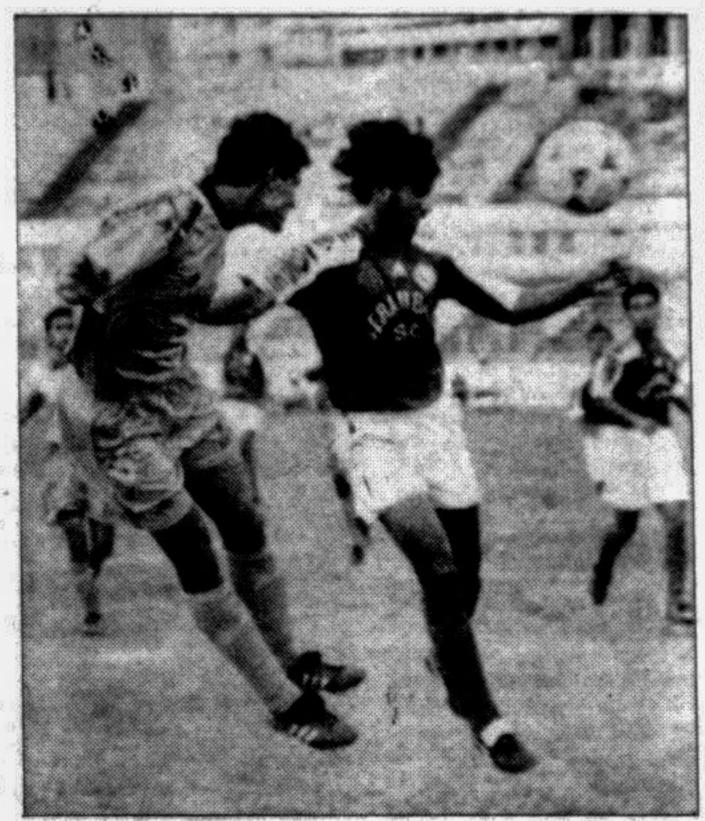
Yellow card: Shahid (Rahmatganj)

### TEAMS

ARAMBAGH KS: Shimul, Dabloo. Shhoton, Faisal, Anwar, Mitul (Minhaz), Tushar, Roxy (Opu), Jahangir, Sattar and Shoeb.

RAHMATGANJ: Lahul. Shahid. Sibu, Shakil, Nazimudin. Javed, Badal. Vladimir, Alexander (Azim) and Ripon.

Referee: MR Mukul.



Action from yesterday's Lifebuoy Premier Division football league encounter between Youngmen's Club Fakirerpool and Agrani Bank SC at the Dhaka Stadium. Fakirerpool prevailed 2-1. Star photo

the former Italian prime

lira, foreign clubs are now

also able to buy our best play-

ers," he said. "We must come

Forest has said manager

Frank Clark will fly to Italy on

Monday to agree terms with

the 29-year-old Italian inter-

national. Italian newspapers re-

ported on Thursday the deal

was effectively agreed and

Silenzi, who had medical

tests at the club on Wednes-

day and met Dutch star Bryan

Roy who also played in Italy.

would get around 500,000

Three top class non-Ital-

ian players have left Italy for

England in recent months -

England captain David Platt

and Dutch internationals

Ruud Gullit and Denis

league is considered the

wealthiest in the world, have

nounced earlier this month

that they were setting up a

marketing joint venture with

one of the aims being to keep

ahead of increasingly wealthy

Adriano Galliani was quoted

at the time as saying that the

two clubs, who claim the al-

legiance of more than half

Italy's fans, risked being left

the English and Germans will

soon be too far ahead for us

to catch up," he said.

'If we don't do something

Milan general manager

rarely moved overseas.

Italian players, whose

Milan and Juventus an-

dollars a year.

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rivals.

behind.

to terms with the German.

French and English clubs."

"With the weakness of the

minister told reporters.

Van Basten back in training

Milan seem optimistic

and bought Futre from reie-

PSG to the semifinal of this

year's European Cup where

expected to feature Baggio.

Weah and Montenegrin Dejan

Savicevic, but coach Fabio

Capello can also rely on

Marco Simone and Futre.

who is returning to form

MARCO VAN BASTEN

after a debilitating knee in-

told me I had made an ex-

traordinary purchase, a

player better than (Argentine

ace Diego) Maradona." a

smiling Berlusconi told re-

"I asked, 'Baggio?' and he

Meanwhile. Berlusconi

warned that Italian striker

Andrea Silenzi's imminent

move from Torino to English

**Premier League Nottingham** 

Forest could lead to a greater

Forest is just the beginning."

"Silenzi to Nottingham

porters.

said, 'No. Futre,'

"A Milanese pizza-maker

Weah's seven goals led

Milan's starting attack is

gated Italian club Reggiana.

they lost to Milan.

## Lalkhuti emerge group champs

Lalkhuti Cricket Club became group champions of the Lotus-Kamal Second Division qualifying cricket league beating Green Road Estate Ekadosh by convincing 71 runs at the Jagannath Hali ground yesterday, reports

Opting to bat first Lalkhuti piled up 164 for seven in the allotted 30 overs. Later, they bundled out Green Road for 93 in 28.5

In the other match. Pallabi Club trounced Swakom's CC by a 155 runs at the CCG ground.

Electing to bat first. Pallabi rattled up a huge 254 for nine in 34 overs. In reply. Swakom's perished for a pal try 96 in 27.4 overs.

In another match at the Dhanmondi Cricket Stadium. Maniknagar recorded three-wicket victory over Poison CC.

Put in to bat first. Poison were all out for 143 in 34.5 overs. In reply, Maniknagar reached their target making 144 for seven in 29.4 overs.

## Pioneer soccer

Sports Reporter

Diba Sangsad overpowered Aganagar PMS by 4-1 in one of the eight Pioneer Division lootball league engagements at the Dhupkhola metropolis ground vesterday.

Dipok scored twice while Mostak and Shafigur netted one each for the winners. Shafique reduced the margin in the 20th minute scoring for the losers.

Islampur Uttaran SC and Mansoor SC drew goalless at the same venue.

Arambagh Kishore Sangha Junior) defeated Kendriyo Kishore Kafela by 3-0. Suff Sadi scored one and Russel netted twice for the victors. Survoshena SC drew with Nabab Katara Krira Chakra 1l at the Dhanmondi Club The other match held at

he same ground between Lalbagh KC and Dogair Chan Tara Club ended in a goalless

Jatrabari KC handed Eastern Football Club 2-1 defeat. All the goals were scored in the second half. Maruf and Khalil shared one goal apiece for the victors while. Masud reduced the margin scoring for the losers live minutes into the second

Uttara Friends Club recorded a comfortable 3-0 win over Angels Club with Mijan, Akram and Ripon scoring for the winners.

Al the Mohakhali T and T ground Jubo Shikha Sangshad and National Football Training Club drew goalless.

# Kanchelskis to ioin Everton

LIVERPOOL, England, July 21: Everton have beaten newly-promoted Middlesbrough in the chase for Manchester United's unsettled winger Andrei Kanchelskis, reports Reuter.

The Ukraine-born Russia international has agreed to join the English F A Cup winners in a four-year deal worth around 13,000 pounds sterling (20.770 dollars) a week.

Everton manager Joe Royle, who is expected to complete the transfer today for a club record five million pounds (7.99 million dollars) said. He has agreed to join us and his agent said he will sign for Everton this morn-

"We have one or two contractual thins to sort out but there won't be a problem." Royle said that Kanchel-

skis talked to Everton before meeting his former Old Trafford teammate Bryan Robson. now manager of Middlesbrough.

## TODAY'S FIXTURES

**Lifebuoy Premier Division** 

foothall league: Abahani Krira Chakra vs

Wari Club (6.30 pm Dhaka

Stadium) Lifebuoy First Division football league:

Bangladesh Boys Club vs Dhanmondi Club (4.30 pm Dhaka Stadium)

**Pioneer Division football** 

Gulistan Club vs Badda Jagarani Sangsad (Junior) 12.30 pm Mohakhali T and

Rampura Natun Kuri Sangsad vs Chaitali Club (4 pm Mohakhali T and T ground). Kawran Bazar Progoti Sangha vs Manikdi Provati Sangha (2.30 pm Banani

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Kalindi KC vs. Azimpur Heroes Club (4 pm Dhanmondi Club ground). **NBL First Division volleyball** 

Titas Club vs Bangladesh Rifles (4 pm).

league: (volleyball court)



Brazil - - a nome tull-back Aldair (No-3), heads a Juninho free-kick past an airborne US custodian Brad Fridel to score his side a match-winner in the second semifinal of the Copa America in Maldonado, Uruguay on July 20. Aldair's strike gave the world champions a hard fought 1-0 victory over the determined Americans thus setting up a final clash with - AFP/UNB photo hosts Uruguay on July 23.

# Brazil burst US bubble



MALDONADO. Uruguay, July 21: World champious Brazil strugeled to a 1-0 win over the

United States on Thursday to reach the final of the Copa America and end the Americans' heroic run in the tournament, report agencies. Brazil, who beat the

United States by the same score in the World Cup last year, will face host nation Uruguay in Sunday's final, The United States, whose

results included a 2-1 win over Chile, an amazing 3-0 victory over Argentina and a quarterfinal win on penalties against Mexico, had come further than anyone expected in the tournament. The performance was a

vast improvement on their Copa America debut two years ago when they were knocked out in the first round and failed to win a single match. They face Columbia in the third-place match on Saturday. "Here we beat a two-time

world champions (Argentina) 3-0 and only just lost to a four-time world champions (Brazil)." said US coach Steve Sampson after the match.

"I'm never happy to lose but tonight I'm very satisfied because we're growing in stature. We pressured them, looked good in possession and defended well. Unfortunately we couldn't break through their defence."

Brazil, who withstood pressure for the last 30 minutes of a match they seemed to be controlling, extended their unbeaten streak to 25 games. Their last loss came against Germany in 1993.

Brazilian coach Mario Zagalo said he was impressed by the Americans but claimed his side should have won by more goals.

"The US are competitive and have shown that they're not just any side," he said. "But we had four or five chances and our goalkeeper Taffarel had no saves to make in the 90 minutes.

The United States failed to live up to their pre-match billing as a giant-killer and struggled throughout the first

Solution time: 24 mins.

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half with the skill and almost-constant possession by the Brazilians. A foul just outside the left

side of the penalty area by midfielder Cobi Jones gave Brazil and Juninho their first chance in the 12th minute. Juninho floated a freekick to Aldair, who lost his

marker - John Harkes - and sprinted through the middle of the penalty area to send a sharp header past American keeper Brad Friedel from six metres.

The midfield triangle of Zinho, Dunga and Juninho proved too much for the

# Flugels confirm it

**KUALA LUMPUR, July 21:** Top J-League side Yokohama Flugels have confirmed their Brazilian stars Zinho and Cesar Sampaio will make a trans-Pacific dash for next week's 150,000 dollars Asian Football Confederation Super Cup against Thailand's Thai' Farmers Bank, reports Reu-

Both Zinho and Cesar Sampaio are in Brazil's squad for the Copa America final against Uruguay to be played on Sunday.

Flugels said in a statement today the pair will fly to Bangkok from Montevideo where they will link up with teammates, including fellow Brazilian Evair, for the 100kilometre (60 mile) trip to Suphan Buri, where the first leg will be staged on July 29.

The second leg will be played in Yokohama on August 2.

The Flugels also announced they were pulling goalkeeper Atsuhiko Mori and midfielder Masakyo Maezono from the J-League all star soccer exhibition on the same day to bolster their side for the inaugural Super Cup tie.

Zinho played in the 1994 World Cup final for Brazil and with Cesar Sampaio and Evair were members of last year's championship winning Palmeiras side before moving to the Flugels in March.

Americans and Edmundo taking advantage of a poor header from roving defender Lalas, came centimetres (inches) away from widening the lead after 23 minutes. Brazil made a lively start.

looking as if they wanted to settle the game early on, and Zinho and Roberto Carlos both threatened the US goal in the opening minutes with hard, low drives from outside the penalty area. Aldair's goal suggested the

Americans might be on for a hiding but Brazil failed to capitalise on their excellent start in a game which was played on a freezing, misty winter night in front of another pitifully small crowd.

Friedel did not have to make another save in the rest of the first half although as an attacking force the Americans were almost nonexis-

In a more physical second half, the Americans picked up their game and the Brazilians, happy to sit back on a slender lead, began to lose their composure. The Americans came close

to an equaliser with a header from Alexi Lalas shortly after the break and striker Erie Wynalda began to trouble the opposition defence. However Wynalda had to be replaced in the 77th minute after pulling a leg muscle while being tackled.

Wynalda the team's top score in the competition with three goals, said the better team won on the

"I hate to say this but unfortunately we did not give it our best today" he said. "We are all very disappointed. The loss was like a knife stabbing you through the heart. The Americans increased

the pressure in the last 30 minutes, pumping some dangerous crosses into the Brazilian area but Brazil's defence held from and goalkeeper Taffarel never had to make a serious save.

The world champions looked dangerous with sporadic counter-attacks and Juninho, Savio and Tulio. who came on as a substitute for Savio, all had clearcut chances which they wasted.

# Patrice not a loony

PARIS, July 21: French lootball star Patrice Loko, released from a psychiatric unit, was in police custody here Friday under investigation for alleged offence including criminal damage and exposing himself to a policewoman, reports AFP. Loko. 25. was released

from a police psychiatric unit where he had spent the night in a secure cell, after doctors maintained that he was responsible for his own actions. Later Friday, the leading scorer in the French league

last season will face an exantining magistrate heading the investigation into events leading up to and following his arrest on Thursday. Loko, who joined Parts St

Germain from champions Nantes last week for two million pounds, was held by police after a bizarre series of incidents which began in the early hours of Thursday outside a fashionable Paris night

A valet apparently refused to park Loko's car. The player responded by smashing up the opel, supplied by the company which sponsors PSG. Aben began destroying a BMW parked nearby.

He is then alleged to have attacked three policemen who were called to the scene and allegedly insulted medical staff and attacked doctors after he was transferred from tréatment to a hospital.

The player was dispatched to a psychiatrict unit after a women police officer alleged that he had exposed himself to her while she was questioning him.

## Ferguson having second thoughts

LONDON. July 21: Manchester United manager Alex Ferguson said on Thursday Eric Cantona's comeback could be put on hold, reports

Reuter. The volatile Frenchman is due to end his worldwide ban from the game on October 1 in a Sunday game against arch-rivals Liverpool at Old Trafford.

The victorious Dhaka Bodhir Krira Sangha team poses with the champions trophy of the second Metropolitan football competition for the deaf. The champions overcame Dhaka Bodhir High School 4-2 on tie-breaker in the final yesterday. - Star photo

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FLUKE. Today's Cryptoquip clue: D equals P

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.