"What can I say? We've got

to keep working. This, is a

terrible defeat but we can't

dwell on it for very long."

said Pagliuca, visibly shaken

by one of the biggest mis-

nmark's Peter Schmeichel,

played a significant though

Another goalkeeper, De-

takes of his career.

Freddie Trueman

(England fast bowler, 1964) "I'm here to propose a toast to the sports writers. It's up to you, whether you stand up or not."

At the Sports Writers Association dinner.

DID U' KNOW?

(The Professor does)

T HAT the name of sponsors on the shirts of players have been a matter of interest. The Football Association of Great Britain ruled out that Christians United of Matlock, Derbyshire could not have the name of Jesus on their shirts. As the FA pointed out, "Only sponsors" names are allowed.

Cigarette compangs have had problems. In view of wide ban and/or discouragement of cigarette advertisement, one ploy adopted by the affected companies was to sponsor sporting events and teams. The role of Benson and Hedges in international cricket is well publicised. What about BTC? They got considerable publicity by having their brand name "Star" on the shirts of Mohammedan players. Of course, a good many fan of the famed club thought that "star" referred to their stars. Well, there is almost no smoke ever without fire.



COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN The rules are published every Saturday.

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CJKP Div 1 soccer league from Sept 29

CHITTAGONG, Sept 27: Chattagram Jila Krira Parishad (CJKP) First Division football league will begin at the Chittagong Stadium here on September 29, report

Last year's champions Chittagong Abahani Krira Chakra will meet Ispath Ekadosh in the opening

match. Each team of the league would be allowed to register three foreign players while only two of them would be al-

lowed to play in a match. Fisheries and Livestock Minister Abdullah-Al-Noman is expected to inaugurate the

league as the chief guest.

Giggs back in Welsh squad

LONDON, Sept 27: Manchester United striker Ryan Giggs's return from injury was a boost to Welsh manager Bobby Gould when he named his squad today for next month's European Championships qualifier against Germany, reports Reuter.

Giggs, who has played in only two of Wales' eight qualiflers so far, is back in the squad but Gould has lost Crystal Palace defender Chris Coleman for the October 11 match in Cardiff because of suspension.

Column One R'ganj's delight in plight

Sports Reporter

A rejuvenated Rahmatganj then needed to wait another seven minutes for the matchwinner when Shakil set Abul Hasan up for his second goal in the match

It was sort of a

delight in the

Rahmatganj Mu-

slim Friends

Society's plight

when the rele-

gation-bound old-town outfit

beat the traditional third

force in the country's soccer

Brothers Union 2-1 in the

lone Premier football league

match at the Dhaka Stadium

victory was some solace for

Rahmatganj, who after trail-

ing at the breather by a soli-

tary goal, rode on their

striker Abul Hasan to inflict a

stunning defeat on Brothers

change the fate of Rahm-

atganj, who had already

destined to bow out from the

elite group after a brief stay,

but for Brothers Union it was

yet another blow in a disas-

have earned the dubious dis-

tinction of holding the eighth

position with one match to

ond match, the Gopibagh

outfit began with a bang when

their Nigerian recruit

Ghibujor shot them into the

talising on a defense lapse,

galloped down the middle

past a couple of Rahmatganj

defenders before finding the

opponents' net with a

scorching drive from inside

set-back, the old-towners

bounced back into the game

through their fleet-footed

striker Abul Hasan, who neu-

tralised the margin with a

spectacular side volley one

minute into the second half.

Undaunted by the early

The robust Nigerian, capi-

lead just after the kick-off.

In what was the day's sec-

With this defeat Brothers

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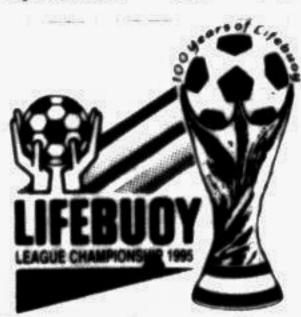
the box.

Although the win will not

On a heavy outfield the

vesterday.

On the other hand, Brothers Union mounted belated pressure for an equaliser but



Christopher's free-kick from about 30-yard cracked the cross-piece, the defeat for them was sealed.

With this defeat Brothers Union, who had never had to face such an ignominy in

their 20-year-old career in the Senior Division remained stuck to their paltry collection of 15 points from 17 league engagements Rahmatgani by virtue of the win got 11 points also from 17 outings.

Meanwhile, in the other Premier League engagement at the Mirpur Stadium Farashgani Sporting Club split points with Arambagh KS when they played to a one-all draw.

TEAMS

VICTORIA SC: Nizam Aman, Farhad, Lipu, Faiyaz, Faiz Babu, Sumon, Rahel, Angur (Chanchal), Selim and Anwar (Jilani).

BANGLADESH BOYS CLUB Mukul, Shipar, Din Mohammad, Shovon, Badal (Badal Jr), Rubel, Shuvro, Lasu (Selim), Matin, Bapan and Badal Das.

Referee: Hashem Sikder.

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PREMIER LEAGUE STANDINGS								
Teams	M	w	D	L	GF/GA	Points		
Abahani KC	17	13	3	1	28/7	42		
Mohammedan SC	17	12	3	2	32/13	39		
Muktijoddha Sangs	ad 17	10	2	5	30/15	32		
YMC Fakirerpool	17	7	5	.5	22/17	26		
Arambagh KS	18	3	11	4	17/18	20		
Agrani Bank SC	17	5	4	8	18/24	19		
Farashgani SC	18	3	8	7	11/19	17		
Brothers Union	17	3	6	8	15/29	15		
Rahmatganj MFS	17	2	5	10	12/28	11		
Wari Club	17	1	7	9	11/35	10		
Hattricks: Tutul	Agrani	Bank	vs	Wari).	Ranjan	MSC vs		

Farashganj): Aslam (Abahani vs Wari) and Nayan (Agrani Bank vs Arambagh).

Leading goal scorers: (Minimum 4 goals): 11-Naqib (Mukti); 9-Aslam (Abahani); Mizan (Mukti) and Tutul (Agrani Bank); 8-Kazakov (MSC); 7-Ranjan (MSC); 6-Roxy (Arambagh); Asit and Jalal (Fakirerpool); 5-Mamun Joarder (Mukti); Matviev (Arambagh); 4-Munna, Lorentive (Abahani); Bode Baba (MSC); Don (BU), Jahangir (Arambagh); Askar Babu (Fakirerpool); Abul Hasan, Alexander (Rahmatganj); Chibujar (BU) and Alamgir (Farashganj).



Brothers Union striker Don (8) tries to avoid a Rahmatganj tackle during last night's Lifebuoy Premier football league encounter at the Dhaka Stadium. Rahmatganj won the -Star photo tie 2-1.

European Cup Winners' Cup

Injuries inhibit biggies



LONDON, Sept 27: European Cup Winners' Cup holders Real Zaragoza and

fellow Spanish side Deportivo Coruna both have significant injury absentees for their first round second leg home matches on Thursday, reports Reuter.

Zaragoza striker Fernando Mrientes, who scored in the 2-0 first leg victory against Inter Bratislava two weeks ago, is having treatment in the Netherlands for an injury to his left leg.

His side will miss him. They have not shone in the league so far with only one win from four games, draw-

Sunday. Deportivo Coruna will be without Brazilian midfield international Mauro Silva but will otherwise be at full strength when they take on Apoel of Nicosia after a

scoreless draw in the first

Mauro Silva did not train on Tuesday although he described the injury as "Not that serious.'

"There is a lot of competition for places but we can only play three foreigners and I have this injury I'm taking the opportunity to rest," he said.

In Glasgow, Scottish Cup holders Celtic hope to overcome three big injury problems for their battle against Dynamo Batumi of Georgia in their Celtic Park home, where a new stand seating 26,000 will be available.

German striker Andreas Thom, who scored twice in Celtic's 3-2 first leg victory ing 0-0 at Valencia last injured an ankle against archrivals Rangers last week but is expected to have recov-

> Dutchman Pierre van Hooydonk is also expected back from the leg injury that kept him out of the first leg in Batumi.

A third striker, Phil, O'donnell, should also be available after missing Celtic's weekend 4-0 league victory over Hearts, but midfielder John Collins may watch from the doghouse.

He has fallen foul of the team's management for criticising them on television re-

cently. English Cup champions Everton also take a 3-2 lead into their home second leg against Reykjavik but may have to go without ace striker Paul Rideout who sustained a rib injury last Saturday.

But they will welcome back fullback Earl Barrett who missed the team's last two games with a knee injury.

In Italy, Parma coach Nevio Scala will rest Bulgarian striker Hristo Stoichkov and Gianfranco Zola against FC Teuta Durresi of Albania, according to the Gazzetta Dello Sport daily newspaper.



Bangladesh Boys Club, who have become runners-up in the Lifebuoy First Division football league this year, poses for a photograph prior to their yesterday's penultimate league clash against Victoria SC at the Dhaka Stadium. - Star photo

Banladesh

Boys **Sports Reporter**

Victoria Sporting Club recorded their fifth victory in the Lifebuoy First Division football league yesterday afternoon when they beat Bangladesh Boys Club 2-1 in their penultimate match at

the Dhaka Stadium. Striker Selim scored both the goals for the winners in the 12th and 83rd minute while midfielder Shuvra pulled back one for Boys in the 65th minute through a spotkick.

With vesterday's two goals, Selim became the leading First Division goal scorer notching nine goals so far.

After vesterday's win, the Victorians raised their collection to 25 points from 17 matches and moved to third position in the standings. On the otherhand, Bangladesh Boys, who have already confirmed their promotion to elite group with the second spot, have 29 points from 17 matches.

Meanwhile, Badda Jagarani and Shantinagar Club completed their First Division football league campaign for the year with a 1-1 draw in the day's other match at the Mirpur Stadium.

Mehdi Masud put Badda Jagarani ahead in the 42nd minute while Shantinagar booter Alauddin equalised the

tie in the 54th minute. With the draw, Badda closed their account with 25 points from 18 matches and joined Victoria SC in the third position. While Shantinagar, who will be relegated to Second Division next season, remained at the bottom with 14 points from 18 matches.

Mysterious silence of BAAF

Sports Reporter

Athletics enthusiasts yesterday demanded of the Bangladesh Amateur Athletics Federation to make public the whole truth about the performance of the three Bangladeshi athletes who supposedly took part in the 11th Asian Athletics meet at Jakarta from September 20.

The last we heard about the Bangladeshi contingent was on the BTV news on the concluding day of the meet last Sunday, said a sports lover. But, there was no news about how the two men and a woman performed at the Asian meet.

The BAAF as a national organisation, should let the people know about it.

"We know they did not win any medal," quipped a regular at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday, "because we have seen the final medals table."

The BAAF or the National Sports Council should give a press release regarding the performance of the Bangladesh athletes, he added.

The angry sports fans argued that no national federation has the right to spend public money this way and maintain silence about their activities.

"The BAAF should immediately issue a statement on the matter, albeit it's late enough", opined an old-timer in the gallery.

Victoria defeat Inter, Man United upset

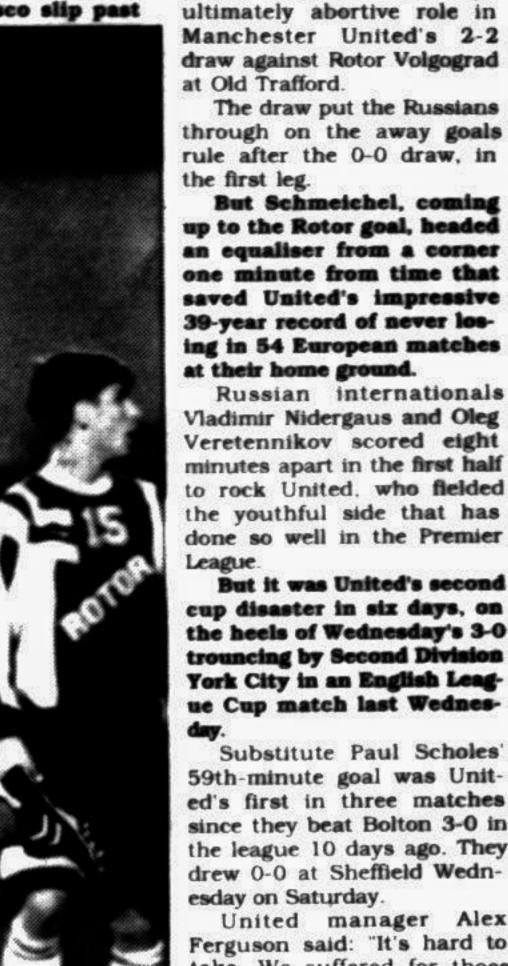


27: Internazionale and Manchester United. great campai-

gners in European competition, had their pride severely dented when they crashed out of the UEFA Cup in the first round on Tuesday, reports Reuter.

winners in 1991 and 1994. sacked Ottavio Bianchi, under whom the re-built multi-millionaires made a disastrous start to the Serie A season.

Gianluca Pagliuca, who kept goal for Italy in last year's World Cup final, gifted Lugano the victory when he let a simple shot by striker Eduardo Carrasco slip past



UNIQUE FEAT: Manchester United's Danish international custodian Peter Schmeichel exults after scoring a goal against Rotor Volgograd during the second-leg of the UEFA Cup first round match at Manchester, UK on September 26.— AFP/UNB photo him in the 85th minute.

properly.

The troubled Italian giants, who have for so long laboured in the shadow of their glittering city neighbours AC Milan, were upset 1-0 at home by minnows Lugano of Switzerland in their first match under caretaker coach Luis Suarez.

Suarez took charge on Monay after Inter, UEFA Cup

The Swiss side, with former Inter Midfielder Igor Shalimov of Russia pulling the strings, won 2-1 on ag-

gregate. Inter dominated most of the match but failed to show sufficient organisation to set up striker Maurizio Ganz

York City in an English League Cup match last Wednes-Substitute Paul Scholes 59th-minute goal was United's first in three matches since they beat Bolton 3-0 in

But it was United's second

the league 10 days ago. They drew 0-0 at Sheffield Wednesday on Saturday. United manager Alex Ferguson said: "It's hard to

take. We suffered for those 20 minutes of bad play in the first half." Bayern Munich, like both

Inter and United former European champions but unlike them in full control on Tuesday night, took the bull by the horns to win their tie against Lokomotive Moscow 5-1 on aggregate after losing the home leg 1-0.

Juergen Klinsmann, with Inter when they won the UEFA cup in 1991, scored the first two goals as Bayern crushed the Russians 5-0 in Moscow in a match held up twice - for five minutes in each half - when the floodlights failed.

Italian media irks Ince



LONDON, Sept 27: Paul Ince has admitted that an Italian media smear

campaign could lead to him quitting Inter Milan and heading back to Britain, according to a newspaper report, reports

The former Manchester United midfielder, quoted in the Daily Mirror, said he had a get-out clause in his contract and explained: "My

Bengal beat Mohammedans

CALCUTTA, Sept 27: Title aspirants East Bengal warded off a second half resurgence to suppress a spirited Mohammedan Sporting 2-1 in a rain-marred Charms Super Division league match at the Salt Lake Stadium here yesterday, reports PTI.

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Young Nima Bhutia and Gunbir Singh struck a goal each in either session to seal the fate of their rivals in an exciting encounter played under torrential rain.

contract at Inter is for three years, but I've still got the option to return after 12 months." Arsenal manager Bruce

Rioch will lead the bidding for the England star if his stuttering start to life in Italy ends with Inter putting him up for sale.

Ince has been the target of fierce criticism from both press and fans as Inter have struggled in their first four league matches this season.

He was hit by a new blow when the club sacked coach Ottavio Bianchi just 24 hours after Sunday's 2-1 defeat by Napoli, in which the 7 million Englishman was again under fire for his perfor-

mance. And last night Inter suffered a humiliating UEFA Cup exit at the hands of unfancied Swiss side Lugano, although Ince was suspended for the second leg of the tie which his side lost 2-1 on aggre-

Ince, reacting to criticism of his performances, is quoted as saying: "I just can't believe it. I'm disappointed. staggered and, yes, angry.

"If they keep treating me like this then I might as well get off. If they are going to keep slating me and slagging me off over here then we'll have to wait and see what happens.

"The fans know they have got to be patient. They have got to wait for a winning team, and so have my critics.

"As they say here, Rome wasn't built in a day. But if they keep having a go then. ves, it could be the media who drive me out."

IOC for easing drug ban

LAUSANNE, Sept 27: Drug cheats should only face a maximum two-year ban from competition, the International Olympic Committee

said Tuesday, reports AFP. The move, which is set to spark controversy in the world of athletics, where officials recently voted to keep the four-year ban for steroids, is to be championed by IOC vice-president Prince Alexandre de Merode.

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CRYPTOQUIP

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Saturday's Cryptoquip: WHY DID THE CREATOR OF QUITE A FEW GROAN-PRODUCING CRYPTOQUIPS MERIT PUN-ISHMENT?

Today's Cryptoquip clue: Y equals B

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.

