

Column One SPORTS TALK



OJ Simpson [American football star. 1976] "I was the Lone Ranger. I only beat up the bad guys." On his days with a San Francisco street gang.

DID U' KNOW? (The Professor does)

THAT, contrary to popular belief in Dhakaia circles, pet pigeons have gone missing elsewhere and by stupendous numbers. In many sporting (and recently in political) meets in the city, it is quite common to see caged pigeons being freed by the pampered dignitary.

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Sports WHIZZ KID COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN (The rules are published every Saturday).

Sports WHIZZ KID competition-7. Tick the Correct Answer

Competition closes: 8 p.m. Oct 6, 1995. 1. The colour of a basketball is usually... 2. "Clean and jerk" is a term in... 3. W. G. Grace was a famous... 4. In tennis "deuce" means... 5. One lap on an athletic track is...

QM chess Oct 7

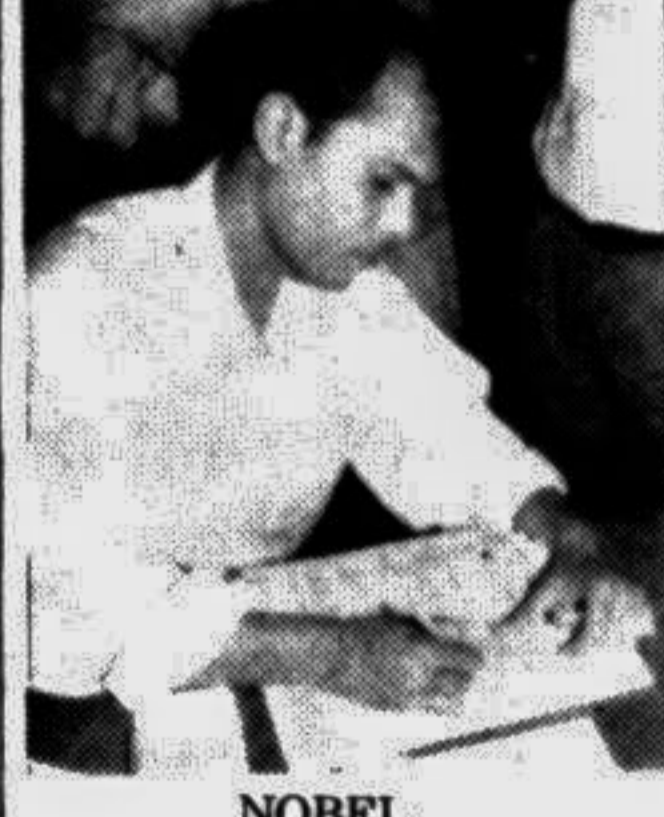
Sports Reporter The 12th Beximco Dr Qazi Motahar Hossain International Masters Chess Tournament will begin in the capital from October 7 next.

Among the 14 rated players there are fine international masters from Bangladesh, India and Pakistan who will take part in the tourney. They are: defending champion Rifat Bin Sattar and Ziaur Rahman (Bangladesh), Mahmood Lodhi and Shahzad Mirza (Pakistan) and Sudhakar Babu (India).

The draw of the tournament will be held on Saturday next during the opening ceremony while the main competition will start from Sunday.

Abahani hog transfers

Sports Reporter Abahani Kriya Chakra put an end to all speculations about their non-involvement in the current cricket season when they signed up a staggering number of twelve players on the fourth day of the five-day long cricketers' transfer yesterday.



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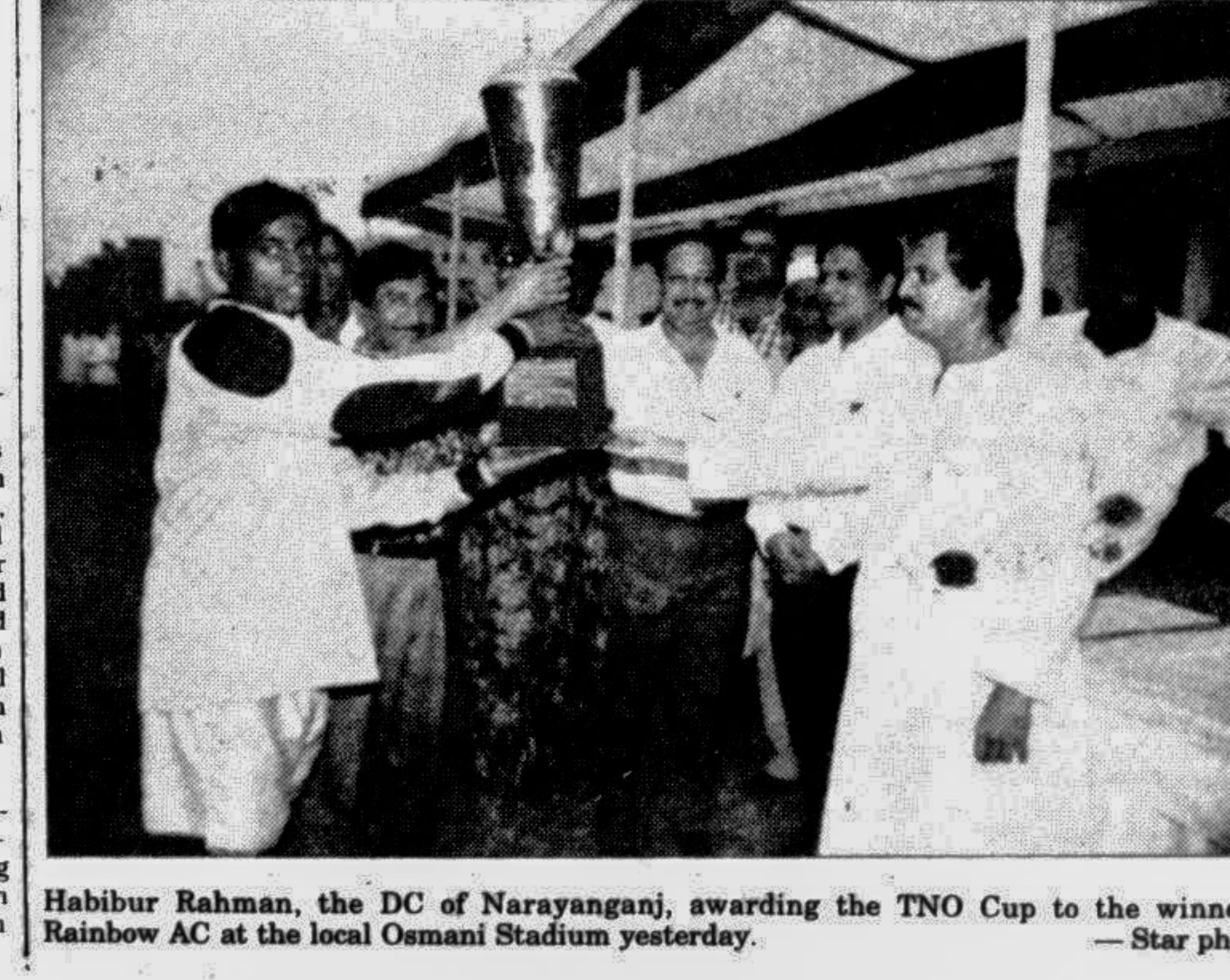
Kiwis on deadly ground

NEW DELHI, Oct 4 (APP): New Zealand's new-look cricket tourists fear illness as much as spin as they attempt to become the first team in eight years to win a Test series in India.

Rainbow Athletic lift TNO soccer cup

NARAYANGANJ, Oct 4: A second-half goal of striker Asad propelled Rainbow Athletic Club to lift the second TNO Cup football tournament title with a lone goal win over Gognagar Samaj Kalayan Parishad in the final at the Osmani Stadium here today.

Habibur Rahman, the DC of Narayanganj as chief guest, gave away prizes among the winners. The concluding ceremony was attended by the Thana Nirbahi Officer, Mrs Amatul Latif and the chairman of the sponsors, Dhaka Vegetable Oil Industries, Mohammed Ali.



Habibur Rahman, the DC of Narayanganj, awarding the TNO Cup to the winners Rainbow AC at the local Osmani Stadium yesterday. — Star photo

Chakma's mysterious silence

Sports Reporter Arun Cumar Chakma, the coach-cum manager of the three-member Bangladesh delegation to the 11th Asian athletics meet, is yet to file his report to the Bangladesh Amateur Athletic Federation (BAAF) regarding the performance of the athletes.

Delving deeper into the matter, the National Sports Council (NSC) can also be held responsible for failing to take any action, even after regular reports in different newspapers about the BAAF silence.

Boni Amin, the other male athlete who took part in the long jump scaled 7.18 metres while Rehana Parveen, country's fastest woman, finished with 12.68 seconds in the 100 metres.

Jatiya Press Club games

The Jatiya Press Club has chalked out a week-long programmes on the occasion of its 41st founding anniversary from October 10, reports BSS.

Ctg soccer

CHITTAGONG, Oct 4: Mohammedan Sporting Blues started their campaign with a two-goal win over Chittagong Brothers Union in the CJKP First Division football league at the Chittagong Stadium here today, reports BSS.



Abahani Kriya Chakra's new recruits and old one's pose together after completing inter-club transfer formalities at the BCCB office yesterday. — Star photo

No cheers, only jeers

ISLAMABAD, Oct 4: Pakistan's debacle in the just-ended series against Sri Lanka has thrown the country's cricket into crisis and triggered demands for a probe and management changes, report agencies.

But former captain Javed Miandad put the blame on former cricket hero Imran Khan, who retired after leading Pakistan to World Cup victory in 1992.

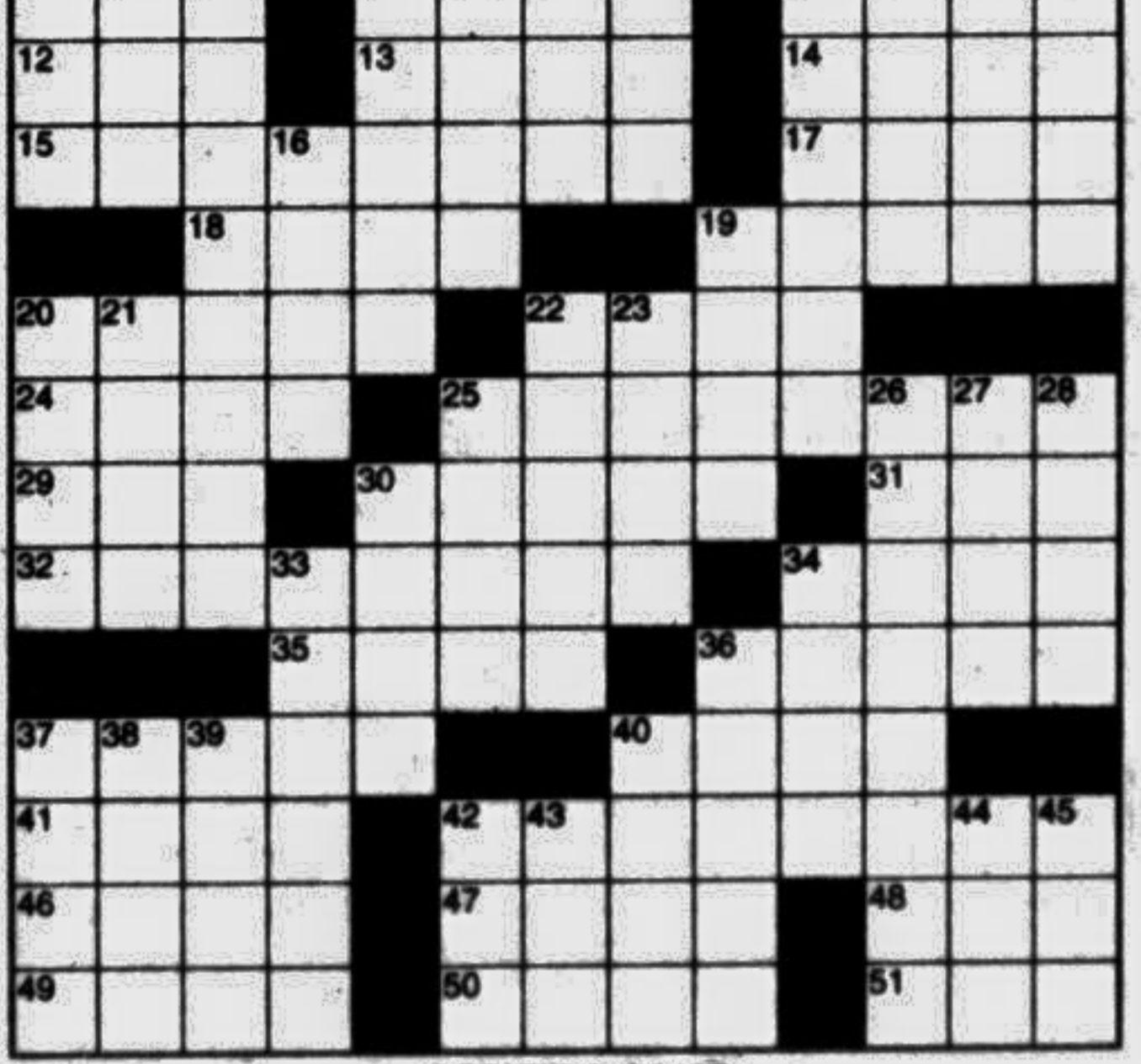
Also appearing to have cemented their places are promising pace bowler Mohammad Akram, who captured seven wickets in the Test series, and off-spinner Saqlain Mushtaq, who took nine in two tests.

Anand in dire straits

NEW YORK, Oct 4: Garry Kasparov sped into a three-point lead in the World Chess Championship on Tuesday, winning game 14 and declaring the fight for the title was over, report agencies.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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CRYPTOQUIP EQXP XPH ULJQMV LI HKHUXCQU KWIRG GZQKKHT UWMTKHJWZQMV XWRHCHT LLI Yesterday's Cryptogram: AUDIENCE FOR THE UNCOMMONLY SAD DRAMA ALL SAT IN THE FIRST TEAR. Today's Cryptogram clue: U equals C