S Australia take reins

4: Sparkling centuries by Test batsman Greg Blewett and

captain Jamie Siddons set up the prospect of victory for the state side over Pakistan in their four-day tour match on Saturday, reports Reuter. Siddons declared the

South Australian second innings closed at 249 for five at the close after he and Blewett had added 201 runs for the fifth wicket, setting the tourists a target of 366 on the final day.

with the home team in deep trouble after a masterly bowl-

over spell in which he took four wickets for only seven runs.

He soon returned and

later dismissed the injury as

11th first class 100, was not out 103 while Siddons hit 125 before he was run out.

added 77 to their overnight first innings score of 199 for five, thanks to a brilliant 137 from Basit Ali to follow his match-saving 69 not out in last week's at four-day match against Western Australia. The right-hander's in-

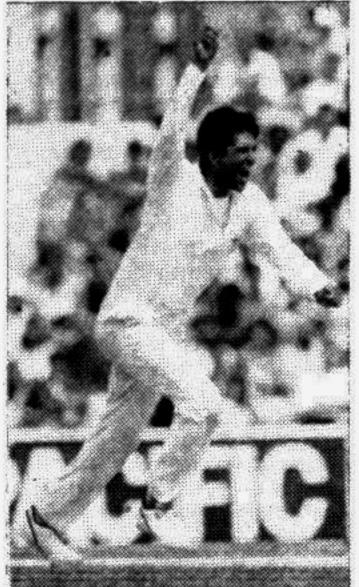
forced to follow on after young pace bowler Jason Gillespie had taken three

wickets in the first hour. Basit had to rely on teenager Saqlain Mushtaq to stay at the crease, the pair adding 68 runs for the ninth wicket with Saqlain contributing just one run.

While Basit Ali's fine century was welcome relief for the tourists, it was Wasim Akram's fearsome opening spell which must have pleased them more ahead of the first Test, which starts in Brisbane next Thursday.

He dismissed openers Paul Nobes and Ben Johnson and first innings century maker Darren Lehmann - all for ducks. Then he had James Brayshaw well caught by wicketkeeper Moin Khan for three.

But Siddons and Blewett



WASIM AKRAM ... 4 for 43 stopped the collapse, with Siddons particularly brutal on He saved the visitors the the Pakistan attack after tea.

embarrassment of being He belted four sixes over the mid-wicket boundary on the way to his 125.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the third day of the four-day match between South Australia and Pakistan at the Adelaide Oval

today: **SOUTH AUSTRALIA: First** innings 392 for eight de-

PAKISTAN: First innings (overnight 199 for five) Sohail c Gillespie b Harrity Elahi c Nielsen b Gillespie 0 Rameez c Brayshaw b McIntyre Inzamam b McIntyre Malik c Nielsen b Harrity Basit lbw b Harrity Moin c Nielsen b Gillespie

Wasim c Nobes b Gillespie (Rehman c Nielsen b Gillespie Saglain not out Aaquib b Harrity Extras: Total: (all out, 90.2 overs) 276

Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-67; 3-75; 4-84; 5-172; 6-199; 7-203; 8-205; 9-273. Harrity

Gillespie 27 McIntyre SOUTH AUSTRALIA: Sec-Johnson Ibw b Wasim Nobes lbw b Wasim Blewett not out Lehmann c Moin b Wasim

Extras: (lb-2, nb-2) Total: (for five wickets) 249 Fall of wickets: 1-0; 2-5; 3-5; 4-13; 5-214

Brayshaw c Moin b Wasim

Siddons run out

Nielsen not out

Bowling:	0	M	R	W
Wasim	13	1	43	4
Aaquib	13	3	39	0
Rehman	19	9	96	0
Saqlain	15	2	60	0
Sohail	6	2	19	0
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fast bowlers to produce so-

called reverse swing when

is already deep in contro-

Pakistan's tour of Australia

"He's certainly playing

solid tennis this week and it

will be tough " said Sampras.

ICC being wise-hearted

LONDON, Nov 4: The International Cricket Council (ICC) is to seek greater powers over cases like the Salim Malik bribery affair, reports Reuter.

ICC chairman Sir Clyde Walcott said on Friday: "It is clear to me that there is a need for the member countries to vest the ICC with greater powers and I have requested the chief executive to prepare a detailed proposal for countries' consideration."

Sir Clyde described as "most unfortunate" the decision by the ex-Pakistan Supreme Court Judge Fakhruddin Ebrahim to make public the full text of the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) inquiry, in particular the claims that the allegations by the three Australian players involved appeared to have been concocted.

In a statement issued through the ICC, whose headquarters are at Lord's. Sir Clyde said: "The ICC's power to conduct hearings and discipline players is specific and is limited to the code-of-conduct, which only applies to match situations.

"In all other circumstances, the position is that each country is responsible for the control and discipline of its own players.

"As the particular allegations were not made under the code-of-conduct, the only role the ICC could play throughout this issue has been to act as a conduit for communication between the Australian and Pakistan cricket boards.

"The PCB arranged for the conduct of an independent inquiry, which has now been concluded."

Sir Clyde went on: "It is most unfortunate that the full text of this inquiry, in particular the judge's choice of words that the sworn statements made by the three Australian players ... "appear to have been concocted for reasons best known to the accusers'...", was made public at his request.

But he added: "Having spoken recently to both cricket boards," I anticipate that the forthcoming threetest match series between Australia and Pakistan will be played in the right spirit."

Earlier, in Perth, former Test pace bowler Dennis Lillee said Shane Warne, Tim May and Mark Waugh, the players who levelled the bribery charges against Malik, should be withdrawn from next year's World Cup for their own safety.

Lillee argued they could not be guaranteed protection during the four-week tournament, to be held in India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

Malik was cleared of the bribery charges last month by Ebrahim's internal inquiry.

But the Australian Board rejected the findings and suggested the ICC and not the PCB was the proper body to investigate the matter.

Cuban spikers crush Canada

TOKYO, Nov 4: Reigning champions Cuba opened the defence of their women's title with total ease thrashing Kenya in three straight sets on the first day of the 12team World Cup volleyball tournament on Friday, reports AFP.

The Cuban spikers, also the winners of the Barcelona Olympic Games and World Championships, needed only 49 minute to score a 15-4. 15-6, 15-2 victory, making the first step towards winning the three straight World

Meanwhile, Asian Games gold medallists South Korea and Asian champions China got past their tough first hurdles to vie best scorer, winning 11 points and another nine for side-out.

"Since we lost to the US team in the previous three matches, we really wanted to beat them today. I think we turned the momentum in our favour after we went down 4-13 in the second set," said Korean coach Kin Cheol

Yong. China also had to work hard against the Netherlands before pulling off a narrow 15-7, 16-14, 16-14 win over the European champions.

'It was an important match, because the Netherlands is the number one team in Europe and we didn't know how they would play." said Chinese coach Lang Ping.

"We prepared for this match very well mentally and technically. Some of my players were new to the team. but they played our usual game when the score was close. I think this win gave them confidence for the remaining 10 matches," she added.

in other matches. Brazil outgunned Croatia 15-8, 15-7, 15-1, while Peru downed Egypt 15-13, 15-10, 15-8.



Bangladesh Biman (seated left) led by International Master Ziaur Rahman in the foreground, defeated Genius Chess Club 4-0 in the third round of the First Division league in the city yesterday. - Star photo

GMs maintain MSC lead

ond position with nine and a

half points. With two Indian

International Masters, Leo-

nine, who upset reigning

runners up Bangladesh Biman

day before yesterday in the

second round, earned as

convincing 3.5 — .5 victory in

this round against Mashgul

In yesterday's engage-

ment, IM Porna Sharma Mi-

trakanth outmastered Subrata

Saha after 38 moves while

Rafigul Islam and Farid

Ahmed took 35 and 23

moves respectively to corner

Manirul Haque and Ashraful

IM Lanka Rani and Sharif

Hossain Milton ended in a

the other favourites in the

league and who suffered a

surprise defeat to Leonine on

Friday, returned to their

winning form yesterday with

a 4-0 trashing of Genius

Chess Club. IM Ziaur Rahman

beat Aminul Islam. Syed

Tahmidur Rahman overcame

Taherul Islam in the round

while Khondkar Kayes Hasan

and Rezaul Haque blanked

spending three hours a day

cals, going to fashion shows

and doing some strange

things. It has been fun. It's

been nice to get away from

the tennis court is a refuge

that I've been used to all my

life and it's somewhere I feel

very comfortable and where I

let out emotion and I can get

angry or happy and get a

good workout and that helps

Seles, who returned to the

Grand Slam arena after two

and a half years following the

knifing attack against her in

Hamburg, raised her profile

But the soft-spoken

For the slender German.

"I think it is something

"It's a place where I can

Graf's glorious victory over

"I've been going to musi-

hitting balls.

other things."

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a little bit."

in the big apple.

dull draw after 31 moves.

The other match between

Bangladesh Biman, one of

Rahman Murad.

Mahfil of Narayanganj.

Sports Reporter the title, also registered their Mohammedan Sporting Club third successive victory yesrecorded yet terday to remain in the sec-

tory in the First Division chess league when they blanked Sheikh Russel Krira Chakra in their third round engagement yesterday at the chess room of the Bangladesh Chess Federation.

GM Michail Krasenkov of Russia won the day's first match for MSC as he, playing with black pieces took 27 moves to beat MR Hafiz of Sheikh Russel. Armenian GM Ahot Anasthasian toppled Kazal Mahmood in a Queen Gambit encounter after 29 moves.

Two locals, GM Niaz Morshed and new sensation Enamul Hossain Rajib, won the other two boards beating Enavet Hossain and Arman Munir after 21 and 35 moves respectively. It was the third successive

clean sweep by MSC in as many days. Earlier, they defeated Farashganj SC and Parijat club by the same margin. And with yesterday win, they kept their possession of the top spot with full 12 points. Leonine Chess Club, an-

other strong contender for

Majid Rana respectively. In the day's other en-

Akhlagur Rahman and MA

gagement, Bangladesh Ansar's beat Konica Sangha 3.5 - .5, Pradeep Sangha outplayed Brothers Union 3-1. Narayangani Chess Club Defeated Parijat Chess Club 2.5 — 1.5 and Anushilan Krira Chakra out gunned Fire Service 3-1.

The remaining match of the day between Dhaka University and Farashganj Sporting Club was tied 2-2.

The fourth round of the league will begin this afternoon at 2 pm at the same venue.

STANDINGS

12 points: Mohammedan

9.5 points: Leonine CC 8.5 points: Ansars

8 points: Biman Pradeep 7 points: Dhaka University.

Anushilan KC 5.5 points: Parijat CC 5 points: Sheikh Russel

4.5 points: BTMC Konica

KC Narayangani CC Farash-

2.5 points: Mahfil Mashgul 2 points: Fire Service

1 point : Brothers Union

Taking refuge in time-out



NEW YORK, Nov 4: (Reuter) The busy, boisterous, bold rush of life in New York city may bring a head-

ache to some, but it is just the tonic Steffi Graf needs for getting her tennis game back

together Graf left her German

home two weeks ago to get her mind off tax evasion charges and the imprisonment of her father, and to get back on track in time for the season-ending, 2 million dollars Corel WTA Tour Championships at Madison Square Garden.

"I came here about two weeks ago and I think that helped me a lot, to get a certain distance." Graf told reporters over a Madison Square Garden lunch on Thursday. "I've been able to focus much, much better."

Graf has played only one match since her emotional triumph over Monica Seles in the US Open final-losing to South African Mariaan de Swardt at Brighton shortly before shuffling off to her Soho district apartment in Manhattan for a revival.

After claiming her 18th Grand Slam title two months ago at Flushing Meadow, the 26-year-old Graf returned to Germany to face the personal nightmare she refuses to discuss in depth.

Called in for questioning by authorities, and with her father, Peter, still jailed over his handling of her finances, tennis took an understandable back seat.

"When I was back home in Germany I didn't play for a couple of weeks, then started again," she said.

But probably for the first time in my life there were times that I felt I didn't want to be out there (on court).

New Yorkers helped.

In the two weeks I'm

here. I've been able to focus,

to be able to get in shape

here and to be able to do

some different things," said

Graf, who has been seeing a

chiropractor for her back and

"I couldn't concentrate and obviously when you can't concentrate you start not to play well. And I realised I just didn't enjoy what I was doing out there. Then I just felt I shouldn't be there."

A return to New York was the remedy for her tennis ills. A busy work-out and really nice." training schedule, a bright burst of social activity and the encouragement of outgoing

> special "Obviously you feel most

youths are in Germany. My

Yet one could not help but sense the disenchantment in her voice when asked about her personal situation back home.

roots are in Germany, and it's

where I feel comfortable."

"But I have an apartment here and I have a place in Boca (Raton, Florida), There are a lot of places I could feel comfortable.

Graf feels she has years left in tennis but the physical wear and tear have her pondering the future.

"At times I think about life after tennis. I don't think I'll know which way I'm heading until I get myself some time after tennis to realise what I really want to do.

times. To get a clear vision I'd really need to stop and have some time.

fessional career at age 13, is still enjoying the game. realise how much the sport means to me," she said, stressing at the same time how demanding the game is "I doubt that I'll be runOlympic badminton champion Allan Budi Kusuma took a step nearer a revenge match with top-seeded compatriot Hervanto Arbi with a 15-11, 15-11 victory over South Korea's Ahn Jae-Chang in the quarter-finals of the Hong Kong Open on Friday, reports Reuter. In today's semifinals Ku-

Kusuma in HK

Open semis

HONG KONG, Nov 4:

suma meets Denmark's Martin Lundgaard Hansen who clawed back a 9-0 last game deficit to beat Thomas Johanneson of Sweden 15-8. 11-15, 15-13. Hansen's win eased some

of Denmark's disappointment after third seeded Paul-Erik Hoyer-Larsen went down to world number eight Lee Kwang-Jin 7-15, 15-6, 15-

Lee's semifinal opponent will be defending champion Arbi who used his trademark jump smashes to great effect as he swept aside former compatriot Fund Permandi, now representing Taiwan, 15-9 15-8

Kusuma, winner of the prestigious Malaysian Open four months ago, was beaten by Arbi in last year's semifinals and is itching for revenge.

"I shall be fighting hard tomorrow against Hansen as L want to play Arbi in the final. said Kusuma. "I played Hansen three years ago and won quite easily so I am quite confident."

Lee's win over All-England champion Hoyer-Larsen was his first against the Dane in four meetings.

After lifting the first game Hover-Larsen, who was taken to three games in his earlier third round match against Indonesia's George Rimarodi, tired visibly and Lee took full advantage of a series of un-

forced errors. "I think I won because my stamina was better," said Lee. "I have never beaten Arbi before but I will try to wear him

down." World champion Arbi said: "I'm not playing to my best form as I have been out of action for three months with an injury but I felt good today."

In the women's singles, defending champion Bang Soo-Hyun of South Korea stayed on course for a final showdown with Chinese world champion Ye Zhaoying. Top seeded Bang beat Camilla Martin of Denmark 11-4, 11-5 to set up a last four match with All England champion

Lim Xiaoging of Sweden.

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STEFFI GRAF

champion does not mind. "I'm not as anonymous here any more sine winning this last US Open," she said. Walking down the street of passing in a car, people have been rally, really nice.

"It's really amazing how they approach you so openly. There was a time that I didn't like that too much but to get that recognition is

As happy as she is to be back in town for the November 13-19 tournament that brings together the top 16 women's tennis player. Graf said home is still something

comfortable where your family is." she said "For me, my family and memories of my

"You have ideas, dreams at Graf, who began her pro-

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South Australia

The pair came together

ing spell by Pakistan paceman Wasim Akram. Akram ripped out the top order with a brilliant five-

The Pakistan captain then sent shudders through the Pakistan camp when he limped from the field with what appeared to be a leg in-

nothing more than a minor thigh strain but never recaptured his earlier form. Blewett, who scored his

Earlier Pakistan had

nings included 19 fours and a massive six off leg-spinner Peter McIntyre's first over of the day.

Pak bowlers head hassle

CANBERRA, Nov 4: The Pakistan cricket team is facing a possible investigation into ball-tampe-

Cricket Board impounded a ball Pakistan used in a recent tour match, the Australian newspaper said today, reports Reuter. "The Australian Cricket Board (ACB) has taken possession of a ball used by Pak-

ring after the Australian

istan in the tour match which they draw against Western Australia in Perth this week." the Australian said. "It is understood that one side of the ball shows signs of excessive scarring inconsis-

tent with customary wear and tear," the newspaper said. The match umpires had

Three times win-

ner Boris Becker

gave his fans a

scare before pull-

ing out a hard-

fought, three-set win over

powerful Dutchman Richard

Krajicek to reach the semi-

finals of the Paris Open on

had already struggled to

move past Russian Alexander

Volkov and American Todd

Martin in the previous

rounds, recovered from the

loss of the first set to win 4-

6, 7-6, 6-4 after two hours

and 25 minutes of a tense

one German swore at himself

during the first set, in which

he lost his serve in the open-

ing game and made clumsy

Both players dropped

serve twice in the second set

which ended with a close tie-

break won 7-5 by Becker.

who then appeared to take

control by breaking 12th

Becker in three sets in a

third round match in Essen

last week, broke back in the

next game before losing his

serve again to leave Becker 5-

earned the German a match

point and he completed vic-

tory when Krajicek hit a re-

turn into the net.

Two aces in the last game

"It was very, very close but

knew it would be because

he's one of the best servers

in the world," said Becker. "I

played badly in the first set

prestigious indoor tourna-

ment in 1986, 1989 and

1992, will face in-form

Wayne Ferreira of South

Africa for a place in Sunday's

final while Americans Pete

Sampras and Jim Courier will

clash in the other semifinal.

Becker, who won this

but then I got better."

But Krajicek, who beat

seed Krajicek for a 3-2 lead.

The former world number

battle.

mistakes.

4 ahead.

Third seed Backer, who

Friday, reports Reuter.

newspaper report. "Any match reports that are submitted to the ACB are

newspaper said.

pared to comment on whether any ball was received

report by series referee Clyde Walcott said there was no

A spokesman for the board declined to comment on the

lers arose during Pakistan's 1992 tour of England. A

confidential," the spokesman told Reuters.

from this particular match." he said. Adding any investigation, if there was one, would be confidential. Ball-tampering allegations against Pakistan's fast bow

The debate reopened last year when former Pakistani captain Imran Khan resigned from the International Cricket Council after allegations from a teammate and

case in England.

expressing concern about Pakistan's Sartraz Nawaz in

possible ball-tampering, the 1993 ended in a libel court

after he admitted once using "The board is not pre- a bottle top in an English county cricket match to tamper with the ball. Suspicions about tampering have been voiced by Pakistan's opponents because of the ability of several of their

evidence of ball-tampering.

versy over bribery allegations by three Australian players against Pakistani batsman Further allegations by written a letter to the ACB. England's Allan Lamb against Salim Malik

> in Frankfurt. Top seed Sampras, already certain to recapture the top spot from injured fellow-American Andre Agassi

straight sets, 6-2, 6-3. match point were some of the highlights of a stylish

performance from the Wim-

bledon and US Open cham-

becker battles better which starts on November 14

> needed just 74 minutes to move past unseeded Jakob Hlasek of Switzerland in but him 2-0 up in the second

the ball ages.

A blistering return which set and a smart volley on 6-2, 7-6.

pion."I though I played pretty well especially in the second set," said a satisfied Sampras "I like the surface here, it's neither too fast nor too slow and I can play my tennis."

Sampras, yet to drop a set in the tournament, faces a more demanding test today against former world number one Courier, who recaptured his form of old to tame fellow-American Michael Chang

The win allowed Becker. Former world number one Boris Becker of Germany currently fifth in the world shouts at himself after losing a point against Dutchman rankings, to make sure of a Richard Krajicek during their Paris Open quarter final place, in the ATP Tour World Championship featuring the match at the Bercy Stadium in Paris on November 3. world's top eight players Becker won the match 4-6, 7-6, 6-4. — AFP/UNB photo