

Curtly Ambrose West Indies fast bowler) won't be staying much longer, I can tell you that am getting tired of playing cricket all the time! On his plans for the future.

DID U' KNOW?

(The Professor does)

T HAT at one time in history the fabled Swedish tennis star, Bjorn Borg, who won the Wimbledon five times, was almost unbeatable. In 1980, an American tennis magazine published an article entitled, "Forty Six Ways to Beat Bjorn Borg". Suggestions were obviously outrageous and included "Make him play in clogs" (Roscoe Tanner) and "Tie his shoelaces together" (Fred Stolle).

Perhaps an even more appropriate article could be written in similar lines on the prodigious Pakistani squash players, Jahangir Khan and Jansher Khan, between them dominating the game for about two decades. Any suggestions on write-up, "Ninety Two Ways

to Beat the Khans"? Sports

WHiZZ KID COMPETITION FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN

(The rules are published every Saturday.)

Sports WHIZZ KID competition-13 Tick the Correct Answer

(Competition closes: 8 p.m. Nov 17, 1995) 1. Which country won the European football cham-

pionship in 1992? Who scored the winning goal for Bangladesh against Myanmar

Where was the inaugural SAF Games Kathmandu Dhaka

The Bangladesh Krira Shikkha Protisthan (BKSP) is at: Joydebpur Tongi Savar

Sir Donald Bradman is from: Australia England New Zealand

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Who will judge the judge?

CATANZARO, Italy, Nov 11: An Italian amateur soccer player has been given a onematch ban nine days after he was shot dead outside a bar in southern Italy, reports Reuter.

Luigi Colucci, 23, was killed on November 1 while pulling down the shutters of his bar in Gioiosa Jonica. Police sources said the shooting appeared to be connected with an extortion racket linked to the local mafia.

Coluccio, who played in the Calabrian amateur league for the local club, was sent off on October 29 against Bocale. But his name has been

listed along with other players suspended by the league's sporting judge.

Nino Cosentino, president of the regional league, said on Friday that the posthumous ban was unavoidable since the referee's report had been submitted before the shoot-

ing.

Kafelnikov in Kremlin Cup qtrs

MOSCOW, Nov 11: Yevgeny Kafelnikov won 12 games in a row to recover from a set down and beat Byron Black of Zimbabwe 6-7, 6-0, 6-0 in the quarterfinals of the Kremlin Cup on Friday and maintain local hopes of a Russian winner, reports Reuter.

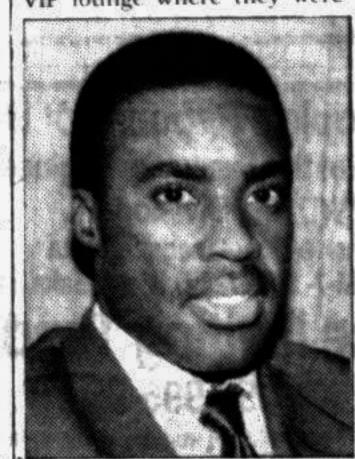
Column One Sports TALK "We are here for valuable experience" — Logie Caribbeans come to city Sports Reports

17-member West Indies under-19 cricket team arrived in the capital yesterday to play three one-day matches against different lo-

cal selections. The chirpy youngsters from the Caribbeans are here after a two-month long successful tour of Pakistan where they won a three Test series 2-0. The week-long visit marks the maiden trip made by a West Indian side to Bangladesh.

Augustine Logie, the former West Indies Test batsman and one of the alltime great fieldsman is accompanying the team as coach while L R Chambers is the team manager.

On arrival at the Zia International Airport last afternoon, the youths from the land of sun and sands created a jovial atmosphere in the VIP lounge where they were



GUS LOGIE ... coach greeted by the Bangladesh Cricket Control Board (BCCB) officials. Talking and joking around at ease, they proved true to the lively reputation their seniors hold. Talking to this correspon-

NAGOYA, Japan,

Nov 11: Asian

champions Chi-

na stormed

back from two

sets down

beat newcomers Croatia for

their sixth straight win on

Saturday and remain unbea-

ten in the women's World

Cup volleyball tournament,

stretched world champions

Cuba to full sets on Wednes-

day, continued their excel-

lent aggression led by Bar-

bara Jelic, who won 16

points and another 20 for

sideout to become the best

mined to win one of the

three tickets for the Atlanta

Olympic Games next year,

turned the match round to

score a 7-15, 10-15, 15-9,

Championships on Friday

when second seed Conchita

Martinez and fourth seed

Gabriela Sabatini became

quarterfinal upset victims,

tournament in 1993, was

bounced by unseeded Ameri-

can Lori McNeil 6-7, 6-3, 6-

2, while seventh seed and

defending champion Anke

Huber frustrated Sabatini 7-

In another quarterfinal,

veteran American Zina Garri-

son-Jackson ended Romanian

Irina Spirlea's chances of

qualifying for next week's

with a 6-1, 5-7, 6-4 victory.

Martinez, who won this

reports Reuter.

5. 6-2.

PHILADELPHIA,

Nov 11: Expec-

ted form took

the night off at

the 800,000

dollars Advanta

scorer of the match.

15-3, 15-9 victory.

The Croatian spikers, who

reports AFP.

dent. Logie, who is popularly known as Gus and whose arrival has created a fair bit of enthusiasm, commented that his team is taking the brief tour very seriously. He hoped that his boys would make the best of the unfamiliar conditions to gather valuable experience which would take them a long way in their ca-

He said. "Our team is in the learning process and what better way is there to learn than playing in the subcontinent.

When asked to comment on his team, Logie opined that they are a good and promising bunch of youngsters and, considering the tour was their first abroad, they had done exceptionally well in Pakistan. He said that the two months he had spent with the team was educational for both the boys as well as for himself.

The ever-smiling veteran commented that their strength naturally lies on the fast bowling division. He laid high hopes on the four pacers in the outfit - Reon King. O'neil Richards, Denville McKenzie and Tyrone Green

Logie added that his bowlers and fielders played brilliantly in Pakistan. although the batting did not click as often as would be desirable. He admired the way the youngsters adapted to sub-continental conditions.

The good-looking willow wielder, who would pass as much younger than he is. hoped that his boys would show more confidence in Asked about his knowl-

edge of Bangladesh cricket. he admitted to knowing very little about it. He added with a laugh." I've heard some sto-

Croatia stoops to China

like Jelic and (Irina) Kir-

illova, I'm very happy to beat

them. I told my players to

strike more powerfully, be

patient and concentrate

more intensively," said Chi-

block effectively and enjoy

the triumph in the end," she

said: "We lost two five-set

matches to Cuba and China,

but I think it's better to fight

to the final set. I'm sure we'll

be able to put up a good fight

Cuba also notched up their

The united States, fresh

from their first win on

Wednesday, brushed aside

European champions the

Netherlands 16-14, 15-7.

Top seeds in topsy-turvy

Spirlea, who had to reach

the final here to claim the

16th berth in the 16-player

season finale, was up a break

at 3-1 in the third set before

the crafty Texan mounted a

rally, winning the final four

Friday's result left top

seed Steffi Graf, who won her

quarterfinal Thursday, and

fellow German Huber as the

only seed to reach the final

against Garrison, while Huber

takes on McNeil, who like

Garrison grew up playing in

The 63rd-ranked McNeil

mixed in frequent drop shots

and net approaches to frus-

trate Martinez, whom she

had defeated in their only

previous indoor encounter at

the public parks of Houston.

Today's semifinals pit Graf

sixth straight win when they

against Japan tomorrow.

Egypt 15-2, 15-5, 15-9.

"I'm sure it led them to

Croat coach Ivica Jelic

nese coach Lang Ping.

added.

But the Chinese, deter- outgunned African champions

"We have no star players

ries but they are better un-

The Windies manager and yet another friendly fellow L R Chambers was quick to thank the BCCB for the invitation. He said that his team is looking forward to an exciting week of cricket.

Talking about their tour of Pakistan, he said that they had an excellent tour and his players adapted to foreign conditions admiringly. Although the manager refused to name any particular player, he mentioned that Mahendra Nagamootoo played exceptionally to be named man-ofthe-series in both the Test and one-day serieses. The wily leg spinner and middleorder bat is the only player of the outfit to have played first class cricket.

Skipper Gareth Breese echoed the comments of his coach and manager about the tour. He said that his team is a good all-round outfit and he was satisfied with their per-



BREESE captain formance. He was quick to praise Mahendra for his efforts, quipping his performance as "creditable."

Breese, who is a Jamaican, said that he is personally enjoying the visit thoroughly.

15-6 while last year's Hi-

roshima Asian Games gold

medalists South Korea over-

whelmed Peru 15-0, 15-3,

played Korea, we were sur-

prised, because they were so

quick at everything. My play-

ers couldn't catch up with

them," lamented Peruvian

coach Jorge Sato, whose

Korean coach Kim Cheol

young said: "My players are

simply better than the Peru-

vian players in a technical

aspect. Our target is to beat

on Monday, they will have to

the Netherlands stood with a

3-3 win-loss record, the

United States 2-4 and Peru

McNeil broke Martinez's

serve in the fifth and ninth

games of the second set,

after which the Spaniard

took a three-minute injury

time-out to treat a broken

Neil came up with another

service break to grab a 3-0

third-set lead and the Ameri-

had lost three of her last four

meetings with Sabatini, in-

cluding in a semifinal at

Filderstadt last month. But

she controlled points and

wore down the Argentine

with consistent ground-

move," Huber said. "If she has

to move a lot, her balls get

much shorter. The last few

"I tried to make her

strokes Friday.

The 12th-ranked Huber

can never looked back.

When she returned, Mc-

toe-nail.

But before meeting Japan

Croatia, South Korea and

Japan in Negoya.

play China on Sunday.

team has now a 1-5 record.

"This is the first time we

The West Indies under-19 cricket team pose for photographers after their arrival at the Zia International Airport yesterday. - Star photo

Day-night cricket in the offing

Sports Reporter

Former national skipper Gazi Ashraf Hossain Lipu has been appointed manger of the two local selections Bangladesh Youth and Bangladesh Under-19 - by the Bangladesh Cricket Control Board (BCCB) yesterday.

Lipu, who retired from domestic cricket last year after a long playing career for the national team and Abahani Krira Chakra, will lead the two selections against the visiting West Indies U-19 team which arrived in the capital last evening to play three limited-over matches.

Meanwhile, the BCCB, who are yet to announce BCCB XI for the third match is planning to stage at least one day-night affair.

"We have tested the feasibility of holding matches under flood-lights", said the BCCB general secretary Aminul Hug Moni.

Talking to the press. Moni further added that they are not sure whether they could hold all the three matches during the day time due to the week-long hartal called by the major opposition parties.

Although the hartal hours have been relaxed by the opposition parties following a BCCB plea, Moni opined that it was not enough to accommodate the matches in the day time. "We are, therefore, con-

templating on other options

for a smooth holding of the matches," added Moni. Replying to a querry, he also said "We have been verbally assured by the opposition parties but it is still not enough."

Asked about the live coverage by Bangladesh Television, the BCCB general secretary said "We had requested the state-run media but they have declined due to the political unrest."

Regarding the pitch at the Dhaka Stadium, the venue of the matches, Moni said, "I think most of the matches will be played on the recently-laid artificial wicket but I'm hopeful that matches can also be played on turf."

Surjit Singh hockey Bangladesh lose 3rd in a row

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh national hoc key team lost their final Hockey Stadium.

According to a fax mes-Bangladesh Hockey Federation office last evening. session.

This was the third successive defeat for Bangladesh in the four-team robin league. The team is expected to return home on November

Lipu made manager | India 296 for 8 on Day 4 CUTTACK.

India, Nov 11: The third Test between India

and New Zealand was headed for a draw today after the home side declared their first innings closed at 296 for eight wickets on the fourth day, reports Reuter.

A wet pitch delayed the start of play by nearly three. hours. The series, which india lead 1-0 after winning the first Test by eight wickets in Bangalore, has been badly disrupted by rain. The second Test at

Madras was largely washed out and no play was possible on the second and third days of the third. Only three hours and 35 minutes of play was possible on Saturday. The Indian cricket board

rejected offers from both New Zealand and Indian team officials on Saturday to convert the fifth day into a oneday match, saying it had prior commitments to asponsors which it did not want to

three, lost skipper Mohammad Azharuddin, who was out for 35, lbw to a low delivery from paceman Chris Cairns. Naviot Sidhu (41) was

India, overnight 120 for

caught by Stephen Fleming at first slip as he edged paceman Dion Nash while trying a Left-hander Vinod Kambli survived a confident caught-

behind appeal at nought but later went the same way, as Kiwi skipper Lee Germon caught him when he was at 28 off Nash, who got four wickets for 62 runs. Star batsman Sachin Tendulkar was tamely bowled for

two runs by a yorker from Cairns. The only bright spot in batting was 66-run stand in 13 overs for the seventh

unbeaten on 45. Kapoor was stumped by left-arm spinner Mark Has-

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at close on the fourth day of the third and final Test between India and New Zealand at the Barabati Stadium here today: INDIA: First innings Prabhakar c Crowe b Nash

Jadeja c Hart b Cairns Sidhu c Fleming b Nash Tendulkar b Cairns Azharuddin Ibw Cairns Kambli c Germon b Nash Mongia not out A Kapoor st Germon b Haslam Kumble c Greatbatch b Nash Srinath not out Extras: (lb-10, nb-3) Total: (for eight wkts in 89.5 overs)

Fall of wickets: 2-75; 3-77; 4-143; 5-172; 6-188; 7-254; 8-267 Bowling Morrison Cairns Nash Twose

Haslam

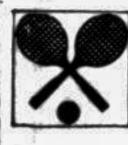
Germon as he tried to drive Hart

Wheels within wheels

wicket between all-rounder

Aashish Kapoor (42) and

Nayan Mongia, who remained



11: Steffi Graf is looking to put a fitting finishing touch on a year of professional

triumph and personal turmoil by claiming the seasonending WTA Tour Championships title. The world number one

says she is looking forward to the intense competition at the 16-player season finale, which begins Monday in New York, to take her mind off the much publicised tax problems that have landed her father in a German jail, reports Reuter.

That competition became a bit less daunting with the news that three-time champion Monica Seles had pulled out of the tournament with a knee-injury.

Graf, winner of the most prestigious non-Grand Slam title on the women's calendar in 1987, 1989 and 1993, had cited Seles as her greatest obstacle to claiming a fourth title at Madison Square Garden.

Still, she seemed disappointed that her great rival would not be competing.

"Everybody was excited about having her play in the last tournament ... it's a big loss." Graf said after a quarterfinal victory in Philadelphia. "When you play a match with Monica, it motivates you

and drives you. I like those kind of challenges." The German star, despite

being hampered by injuries and personal distractions for much of the year, takes a remarkable 1995 record into the championships.

Prior to this week's final tune-up in Philadelphia, Graf had compiled a 40-2 match record with seven titles, including the French Open, Wimbledon and a memorable US Open triumph over Seles.



STEFFI GRAF

Long known as the Virginia Slims Championships. the season finale has a new name this year. The format, however, is the same - the year's top 16 performers battling in a single elimination competition that

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amounts to the second week of a Grand Slam without the drudgery of the first three

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While Seles's withdrawal surely robs the championships of some of its luster, it should make South African Amanda Coetzer plenty happy. Had Seles used an unprecedented wild card invitation, Coetzer, who qualified 16th on points earned all season, would have been pushed out of the showcase

Seles's absence not only stands to make life easier for Graf if she reaches the bestof-five set final, but it turns the bottom half of the draw into a wide open scramble.

Spain's Conchita Martinez becomes second seed in the weakened half of the draw. But she harbours no illusions of an easy road to the final. "Every match is going to

be tough for everybody," said the 1994 Wimbledon champion, who opens against Croatian teenager Iva Majoli. Because I'm number two seed with Seles out doesn't mean much because you're in a draw where you have the 16 best players in the world."

Those in Martinez's path to the final include fourthseeded Australian Open champion Mary Pierce and sixth seed Kimiko Date of Japan, both semifinalists last

times I played her I hadn't WTA Tour Championships the 1992 Virginia Slims CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer been able to do that." Championships. group match in the Surjit soundtrack 61 Guy's Singh memorial hockey tour-19 Have debts Food fish 41 Erstwhile ney yesterday when they suf-22 Neighbor of 4 Wield a Turkish fered a 1-2 defeat at the machet 23 Anne or hands of Mahinder and 43 PBS sci-8 Hardly Calvin of ence sene Mahinder at the Jullunder 44 Type units 12 Parrot 25 Actress er Adams sage received at the 14 Largest of 15 Felonious 55 Carniva Bangladesh, who are taking part in the meet as part of their preparation for the \$2,000 forthcoming seventh SAF Games to be held in the south Indian city of Madras 20 "Sound from December 18, took an early lead in the match through forward Kamal in the 15th minute. But they failed to cling on to the slender lead as Mahinder and Mahin-X P D O P L der levelled the score in the same half before earning the match-winner in the next

STREET CRICKET: Not a bad way to pass time during hartal hours on Saturday on the barren Manik Miah Avenue. Star photo

CRYPTOQUIP STXDOQY TIO CDXLDUG XPOCTIG OPH Vesterday's Cryptoquip: I DEPEND ON THE SELF-MADE MAN WHO FOLLOWED THE PATH OF LEAST

ASSISTANCE. Today's Cryptoquip clue: H equals X 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.