

Column One Sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Sports WHIZZ KID competition-41

Tick the Correct Answers

(Competition closes: 8 p.m. June 14, 1996)

- 1. The current Olympic women's singles tennis champion is... [ ] Graf [ ] Navratilova [ ] Capriati
- 2. The winner of women's shot put gold in the 24th national athletics championship is... [ ] Nely Jagan [ ] Alina Begum [ ] Lovely Begum
- 3. Pakistani pacer Waqar Yousuf once played county cricket for... [ ] Surrey [ ] Sussex [ ] Essex
- 4. French Open tennis is played on... [ ] Grass [ ] Clay [ ] Hard court
- 5. The ball used in ice-hockey is... [ ] Stick [ ] Skater [ ] Wheel

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SPORTS TALK



Davor Suker

(Croatia's ace striker) The first part of my plan is completed. To play for a big team. The next target is England. We will survive the preliminary matches. The most important match will be the quarterfinals. If we win that, we could be European champions.

On his ambitions for the Euro '96

ITF mini-tennis begins

ASM Shahjahan, Secretary, Ministry of Youth and Sports, yesterday said that the government will provide all possible assistance for the promotion of games and sports in the country, reports BSS.

The government had given special attention in raising the standard of sports, he said, adding that it would continue with all-out efforts.

The secretary was speaking at the inaugural ceremony of International Tennis Federation (ITF) mini-tennis initiative at the Loreto School at Dharmundi.

Vice presidents of Bangladesh Tennis Federation (BTF) Professor Rashiduddin Ahmed and Faizur Rahman Chowdhury, chairman of the school governing body Major (ret'd) Fazlur Rahman, BTF general secretary Syed Wahid also spoke on the occasion.

At least 2,000 boys and girls from different schools of the capital and other parts of the country will be participating in this programme.

Premier v'ball results

Sports Reporter Water Development Board and Titas Club won their respective matches of the Premier volleyball league at the Mirpur Indoor Stadium yesterday.

In the day's first encounter, a clash between utility and financial service outfits, Water Development Board (WDB) recorded an impressive 3-1 sets win over Sonali Bank.

The WDB spikers, who won the first set 15-7, however, conceded the next 15-17. But romped home after winning the following sets 15-4, 15-12.

In the other match of the day, a lopsided affair, Titas Club blanked East End Club by three sets to nil.

Titas won the first two sets 15-3, 15-2 even before the old town outfit could settle in the middle. The winners then completed the East End rout by winning the final set 15-5 to maintain their impressive run in the fray.

Palmeiras pocket the title

RIO DE JANEIRO, June 9: Palmeiras won the Sao Paulo championship on Sunday by beating Santos 2-0 in a game which saw Santos goalkeeper Edinho, the son of Pele, sent off, reports Reuter.



Mike Atherton the England skipper seem to have all the time and room in the world as he executes an improvised square cut during the second innings of the first Test against India at Edgbaston yesterday.

India date with incubus

BIRMINGHAM, England, June 9: Mike Atherton's England duly completed an eight-wicket victory over India on the fourth morning of the first Test on Sunday, report agencies.

Resuming their second innings at 73-1 and needing another 48 for victory, England hit off the runs in just over an hour, Atherton leading the way with an unbeaten 53.

The only wicket to fall was that of first innings century-maker Nasser Hussain, brilliantly caught in the second over of the day by Javagal Srinath off the bowling of Venkatesh Prasad for 19.

But Graham Thorpe with an unbeaten 17 helped Atherton to see England to a victory which puts them 1-0 up in the three-match series.

England go into the second Test at Lord's, starting on June 20, as firm favourites after generally outplaying India. Only an excellent 122 by Sachin Tendulkar in the second innings on Saturday saved India from a more comprehensive defeat.

After a miserable winter in South Africa and in the World Cup, Atherton felt better fielding had been a significant reason for his side's improved fortunes.

He said, "We decided one of the main things at selection was to pick a good fielding side and that invariably involves fresh legs and I thought the fielding here was a real plus factor for us."

"We caught everything that came our way. We had a run-out or two and that was a real factor in our win."

Atherton included two classic cover-driven boundaries off successive balls from Srinath on his way to a 96-ball half century, his 28th score of 50 or more in Tests.

But Hussain, having added a single to his overnight 18, hooked at Prasad's first ball and Srinath, making ground from the deep, dived forward to hold a courageous catch.

Earlier, on Saturday, England had again produced another fine performance as their three-man pace-attack bundled India out for 219 in their second innings.

Dominic Cork and Alan Mullaly took two wickets each while Chris Lewis celebrated

his returned to the Test arena with five for 72, his third five-wicket haul in Test cricket.

But Lewis had to take his place behind Tendulkar for the day's individual honours as the 23-year-old Indian vice-captain batted beautifully to record his ninth Test century, his third

without loss, still 94 runs adrift, again lost an early wicket when Vikram Rathore was well taken by Graeme Hick at second slip off Dominic Cork in the fourth over.

Lewis then induced an edge from Ajay Jadeja and Cork had make-shift number three Nayan Mongia spectacularly caught by Nasser Hussain in the slips.

Mullaly then got into the act, bowling captain Mohammad Azharuddin round his legs third ball for nought, and finding the inside edge of Sunil Joshi's bat which gave Jack Russell his third catch.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the first Test between England and India at Edgbaston on Sunday.

INDIA: First innings 314 (N Srinath 52, D Cork 4-61)

ENGLAND: First innings 313 (N Hussain 128)

INDIA: Second innings (overnight 5-0, Saturday)

Rathore c Hick b Cork 7  
Jadeja c Russell b Lewis 6  
Mongia c Hussain b Cork 9  
Azharuddin b Mullaly 0  
Joshi c Russell b Mullaly 12  
Manjrekar c Knight b Lewis 18  
Kumble run out 15  
Srinath lbw b Lewis 15  
Mahambrey b Lewis 15  
Prasad not out 0  
Extras: (b: 4; lb: 9; nb: 1) 14  
Total: (70.4 overs) 219

Fall of wickets: 1-15; 2-17; 3-35; 4-36; 5-68; 6-127; 7-185; 8-193; 9-208.

Bowling: O M R W  
Lewis 22.4 6 72 5  
Cork 19 5 40 0  
Mullaly 15 4 43 2  
Irani 2 0 21 0  
Pack 4 3 18 0  
Hick 4 1 18 0

ENGLAND: Second innings (overnight 73-1)

Knight lbw b Prasad 14  
Atherton not out 53  
Hussain c Srinath by Prasad 19  
Thorpe not out 17  
Extras: (b: 8; lb: 7; w: 1; nb: 2) 18  
Total: (2 wks, 33.5 overs) 121

Fall of wickets: 1-37; 2-77

Bowling: O M R W  
Srinath 14.5 3 47 0  
Prasad 14 0 50 2  
Kumble 5 3 9 0

Result: England won by eight wickets and take a 1-0 lead in the three-Test series.

Man-of-the-match: Nasser Hussain

Second Test: June 20-24, Lord's.

Third Test: July 4-9, Trent Bridge.

against the English, playing with great ease and assurance, dominated the innings after India had collapsed to 68 for five during the morning. But he found a gritty ally in Sanjay Manjrekar who came in at number seven and batted with a runner after twisting his ankle during the first innings.

Together they added 59 in 99 minutes before Manjrekar, struggling to move his feet, gloved a sharp, rising delivery from Chris Lewis to Nick Knight in the gully.

Manjrekar made 18, the second highest score in the innings, and when he went Anil Kumble continued the resistance with a partnership of 58.

Tendulkar's hundred arrived shortly before tea when a huge straight six off left-arm spinner Min Patel raised him from 94 to three figures. His century came in 208 minutes, off 139 balls and included 17 fours as well as the six.

After the tea interval Tendulkar continued in the same manner but after Knight had superbly run out Kumble for 15, he became the ninth Indian out when a top-edged hook off Lewis was pounced by Graham Thorpe at mid-wicket.

India, resuming on five

Schools badminton Double delight for Javed, Lucky

Sports Reporter

Javed and Lucky, the two youngsters from the port city of Chittagong, earned a delightful double in the schools badminton championship after winning the boys and girls singles titles respectively on concluding day of the meet at the Mirpur Indoor Stadium yesterday.

Javed, a class nine student of Gar Duara High School who had earlier won the boys doubles title pairing with schoolmate Masud on the other day, went on to capture the singles crown after defeating Maruf Alam 15-7, 15-6.

In an otherwise one-sided affair, Javed's powerful smash and lightning rallies proved to good for Maruf, a student of Ali Ahmed High School of Dhaka, who surrendered rather meekly.

Meanwhile, on the distaff side, Lucky of Saleh Jahur High School captured the girls' singles title eliminating schoolchum Akhi 11-8, 11-4.

Lucky, an upcoming shuttler from the port city who had earlier won the doubles title coupled with her yesterday's vanquished, although faced a tough challenge in the first set, got the better in the next one for her double crown.

Fazlur Rahman, secretary of the National Sports Council, later distributed prizes among the winners.

Shahbaz expresses anguish

KARACHI, June 9: Pakistan's most celebrated hockey player Shahbaz Ahmad today lamented losing his captaincy, saying his dream to lead the country in the July Atlanta Olympics had been shattered.

"I always dreamt of saying goodbye to the game I loved throughout my life after leading the side in the Olympics and winning the gold medal."

"I had no other ambition in my life but they (the management) have shattered my dream," the 28-year-old forward told AFP.

Shahbaz has led Pakistan to victory in the World Cup, Champions Trophy and several other tournaments, but the team never won an Olympic gold medal under his captaincy.

Reuter adds: goalkeeper Mansoor Ahmed was named on Saturday to lead a 16-member Pakistan hockey squad in next month's Summer Olympics.

The Pakistanis will be trying to put controversy over last month's team revolt behind them to focus on improving on the bronze medal they took at the Barcelona Games four years ago.

The squad will travel to Europe for a four-nation tournament starting in Milton Keynes, England, on June 13, and another four-nation competition starting in the Netherlands on June 19.

Olympic trials were postponed several times last month after 24 players demanded the sacking of the manager and coach for alleged insulting behaviour.

The players had also refused to appear before an inquiry committee set up to probe their grievances.

On Wednesday, the Pakistan Hockey Federation appointed Samiullah as the new manager and Jahangir Butt as new coach of the team.

SQUAD

Mansoor Ahmed (captain, goalkeeper), Khalid Mahmood (goalkeeper), Danish Kaleem, Naved Alam, Raja Muhaiddin (full-backs), Muhammad Usman, Muhammad Khalid, Shaheer Mohamood, Muhammad Irfan (half-backs), Muhammad Sarwar, Tahir Zaman, Muhammad Anis, Muhammad Shahbaz, Shahbaz Ahmed, Rahim Khan and Aleem Raza (forwards).

US pair lifts doubles crown

PARIS, June 9 (Reuter): Results at the French Open tennis championships on Friday (prefix number denotes seeding):

Women's doubles final: 4-Lindsay Davenport (US) & Mary Joe Fernandez (US) beat 2-Gigi Fernandez (US) & Natasha Zvereva (Belarus) 6-2, 6-1.

Kamsky evens things up

MOSCOW, June 9: Rising star Gata Kamsky caught up with Russian Grand Master Anatoly Karpov on Saturday by beating him in the second of 20 games in their FIDE-World Chess Championship, report agencies.

The 22-year-old US champion, a Soviet defector who hopes to gain American citizenship, played aggressively with the white pieces against Karpov's favourite Caro-Kann defence and broke through early in the centre.

Kamsky won Karpov's queen on the 22nd move at the end of a frenzied exchange of pieces, giving up a rook and a knight.

The Russian put up strong resistance against superior forces, until Kamsky forced the black king into the open. Faced with the loss of either a rook or a knight, Karpov resigned on his 65th move.



GATA KAMSKY

Former world champion Vasily Smyslov said Karpov played too passively at the start.

In the Caro-Kann defence, it is dangerous to beat around the bush, the Russian Grand Master said.

Victories are worth one point, draws a half-point. The first player to compile 10.5 points wins the title.

Victory however, for either contestant will be tainted by the fact that world No. 1 player Garri Kasparov is not challenging because of a split with FIDE.

He was busy campaigning on Saturday for Russian President Boris Yeltsin, who will run against a strong communist candidate in the June 16 election.

On Friday, Kamsky decided not to resume the opening game carried over from Thursday in the 57th move.

The next game is due to start on Monday.

Turks blazing a trail

The bookmakers do not fancy them, but 55 million Turks do. This is the first time in 42 years that Turkey have attempted to export their defiance to a tournament as important as Euro '96.

"Europe, Europe, hear our voice!" the people chanted in Istanbul the night that Turkey qualified. There were deaths from bullets fired in celebration and at the end of the league season, there was the death of a 16-year-old when fanaticism became uncontrolled.

Through it all, Fatih Terim, the squat, chain-smoking coach, has attempted to channel some fire into the belly of players who traditionally did not travel well. He completely reorganised Turkey around Hakan Sukur, a centre-forward of monumental size, who desperately needed some supporting attackers.

By the end of qualifying, Terim's demands had got beneath the skin of his players, to such a degree that they twice came from behind to eliminate Sweden, World Cup semi-finalists barely a year before. The strength of character was not lacking then.

Those who recall Galatasaray drawing 3-3 at Old Trafford and then knocking Manchester United out of the European Cup with

stubbornness in Istanbul, must have suspected that a change was indeed penetrating Turkish attitudes. "I could not accept the assumption that we were unable to compete physically," the new national coach had insisted. "I tell my players I want a battle every time they go out to play."

The Bull of the Bosphorus, as Hakan is known, is a more than willing accomplice to that. Turkey had always seen him coming, through 21 youth caps, 27 in the senior team, and 26 in the senior team, during which he has scored 13 precious goals. He could not settle when he was traded, apparently against his will, for a few short months — and a very few games — with Torino.

He went back to his first love, Galatasaray, and back to his affinity with scoring. He was a towering header in Stockholm, when the Turks roused themselves after relying too heavily on the bravery of Rustu Recber, their goalkeeper. The libero, Ogün Temizkanoglu, has the spirit to come forward seeking goals, leaving others to maintain a solidity which, until Turkey fell 3-0 to the Czech Republic in Prague in March, had sustained them through 17 games without defeat.

Boldly, their coach eschewed seasoned players who had shown timidity abroad, and thought nothing of throwing Korut Tayfun, 21, and previously unwrapped into

the critical game against Sweden for the full 90 minutes on the right. Terim scoffs at the 80-1 odds against his men and his boys. He knows that when they play in Sheffield and Nottingham, there will be more Turkish voices than the sum of all their opponents. It will not suffice, but the journey is the thing.

Courtesy: The Times.

London

SQUAD

Adnan Erkan, Recep Cetin, Alpaz Ozalan, Vedat Incefe, Tugay Kerimoglu, Ertugrul Saglam, Hani Mandirali, Ogün Temizkanoglu, Hakan Sukur, Oguz Cetin, Orhan Cikrikci, Faruk Yigit, Rahim Zafer, Saffet Sancakli, Tayfun Korut, Seren Yalcin, Abdullah Ercan, Arif Erdem, Tolunay Katkas, Bulent Korkmaz, Sanver Goymen, Rustu Recber.

ROAD TO FINALS

Hungary 2 Turkey 2 (Hakan, Bulent)

Turkey 5 Iceland 0 (Saffet 2, Hakan 2, Seren)

Turkey 1 Switzerland 2 (Recep)

Turkey 2 Sweden 1 (Emre, Seren)

Switzerland 1 Turkey 2 (Hakan, Ogün)

Turkey 2 Hungary 0 (Hakan)

Iceland 0 Turkey 0

Sweden 2 Turkey 2 (Hakan, Ertugrul)

Ethiopia names Atlanta squad

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia, June 9: A 21-member team, including long distance runners Haile Gebreselassie and Debebe Tulu, has been named to represent Ethiopia at the Olympics in Atlanta, reports AP.

The African nation's sports officials have yet to decide which events each runner will participate in, according to a brief statement broadcast by Ethiopia radio on Friday night.

Wolde Meskie Kostel, the team's coach, was quoted as saying that Ethiopia particularly wants Tulu to participate in qualifying trials for the 5,000-metre and the 10,000-metre.

Ethiopia has asked the International Amateur Athletics Federation to change the trials programme in Atlanta to enable Tulu to participate, but the federation is yet to reply.

Wolde was also quoted as saying that Ethiopian athletes living outside the country will be considered if they meet minimum qualifying times, which means the squad is likely to get bigger.

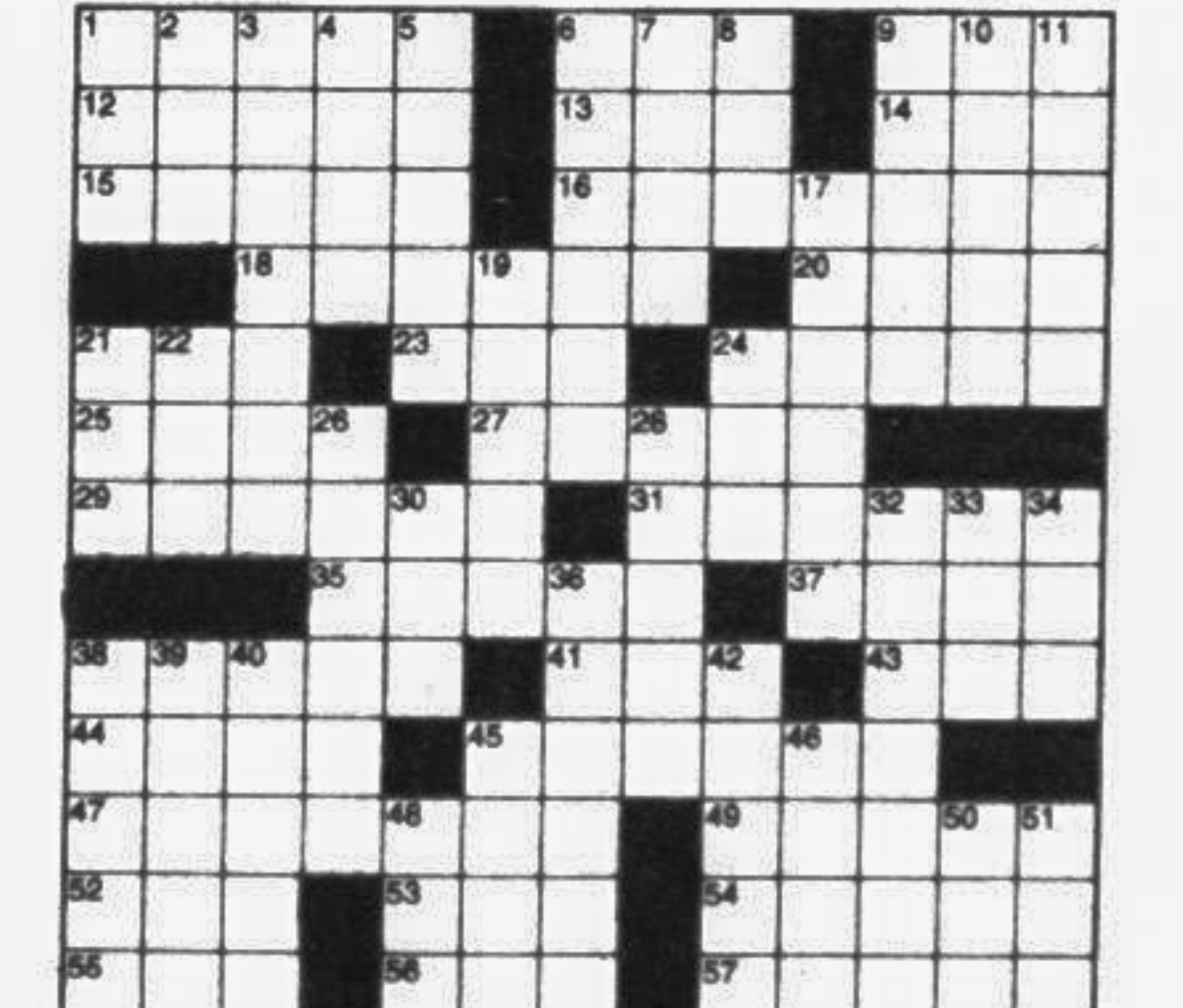
Haile is world champion in the 5,000-metre and 10,000-metre. Tulu won a gold medal in the women's 10,000-metre at the Barcelona Olympics in 1992.

Also on the team is world marathon record-holder Belayede Dinsamo, along with medal hopefuls Worku Bikila and Fita Bayissa.

Gete Wami, Fatuma Roba and Kutre Dulecha are expected to compete in women's long distance events.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS
- 1 Profundity
- 6 Altar affirmation
- 9 Navajo
- 12 Turandot, e.g.
- 13 Give — break!
- 14 Heady
- 15 Consumed
- 16 Porky Pig's girlfriend
- 18 French Impressionist
- 20 Dracula's target
- 21 Lamb's dam
- 23 Foolish sort
- 24 Dracula's souvenirs
- 25 Gaucho's weapon
- 27 Outcome of anarchy
- 28 Sarajev's land
- 31 Confine
- 36 Famed Hollywood recluse
- 37 Megalomaniacal captain
- 38 Sacred
- 7 Down
- 2 Ecot. org.
- 3 Tube-nosed seabirds
- 4 Bird house?
- 5 Barber's animation partner
- 6 Mischievous
- 7 See 1
- 8 Feed-bag idiom
- 9 Painter Edouard
- 10 Wonder-land visitor
- 11 High spots
- 17 Together-ness
- 19 Tinseltown trophy
- 21 Recede
- 22 Count
- 24 Halloween outcry
- 26 Fisherman
- 28 Feed — and — starve...
- 30 Cartesian conclusion
- 32 Term of endearment
- 33 Actress Thurman
- 34 Soda
- 36 Babe's master
- 38 John Paul and his predecessors
- 39 Indy 500 racer Tom
- 40 Earned an Obie, maybe
- 42 Gelfingburg victor
- 45 Bouffant do
- 46 Karas or Trek
- 48 Charged particle
- 50 Soft shoe, for short
- 51 Switch positions



CRYPTOQUIP

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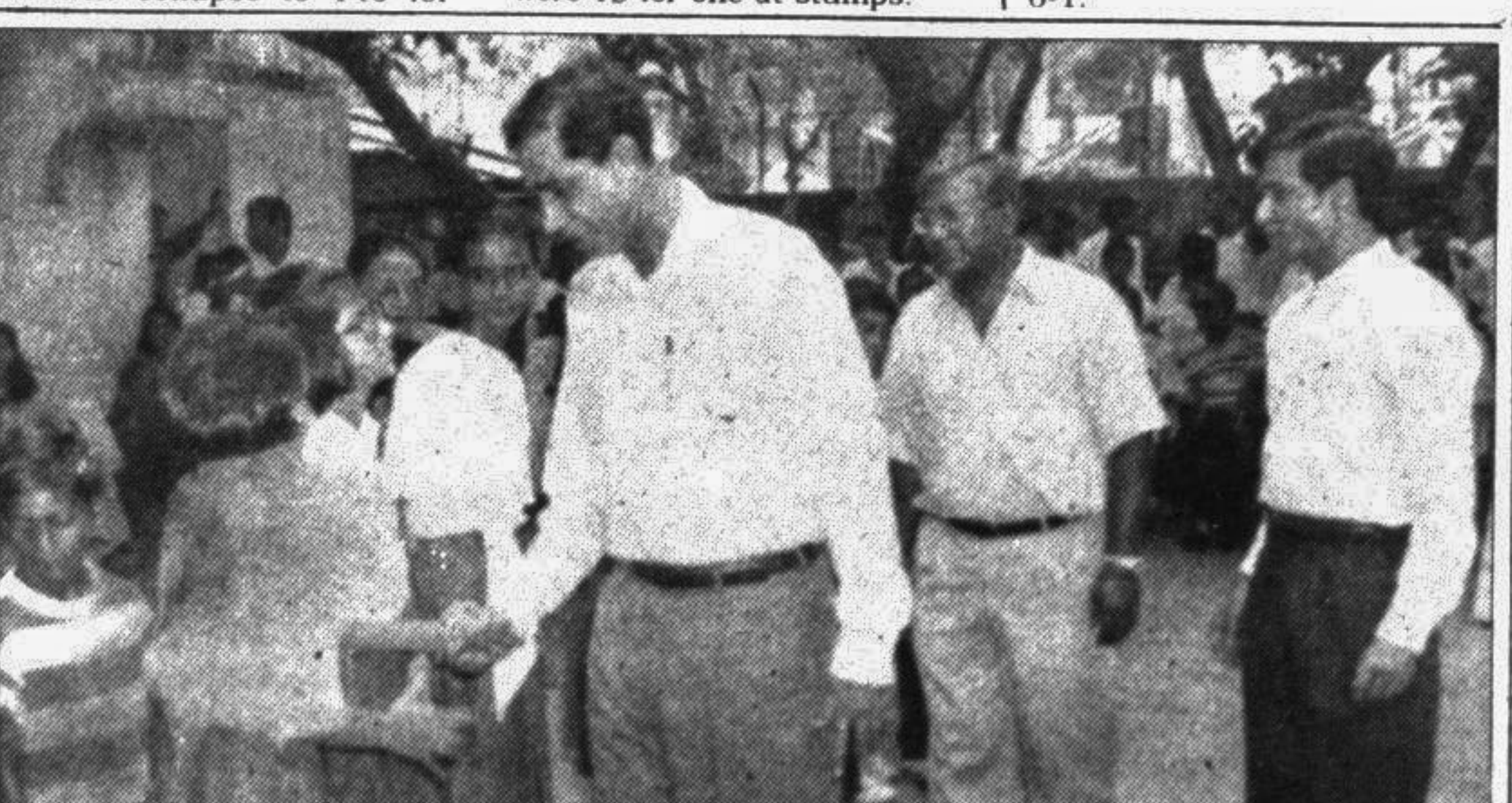
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JNKXIX HZI

Yesterday's Cryptogram: MATHEMATICIAN AND HIS WIFE FONDLY WELCOMED A NEW ADDITION.

Today's Cryptogram clue: J equals N

The Cryptogram 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.



Secretary of Youth and Sports A S M Shahjahan speaking to participants of the ITF mini-tennis initiative that began at a city school yesterday.

— Star photo