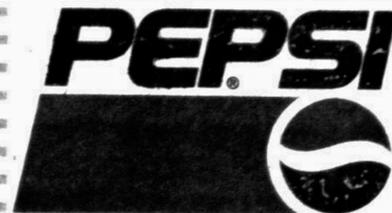


Olympic Update

Because you play to win...



Column One SPORTS TALK



Linford Christie

(British ace sprinter) "I don't shake hands with no one before the race. After the race we can shake hands... but before the race no way. Certain people can draw your energy. They have tried it so many times. Carl Lewis tried to shake my hand once and I moved. He still came over so I gave him a little grovel and he left me alone."

On how he treats the opponents before the race.

Sports WHIZZ KID
COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Sports WHIZZ KID competition-48
Tick the Correct Answers

(Competition closes: 8 p.m. August 2, 1996)

- Which country won the first gold in Atlanta Olympics?

Poland	Holland	Spain
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- In weightlifting, who is called as "Pocket Hercules"?

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- The first ever Belgian to win Olympic gold in swimming is

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- The century Inzamam scored in the Lord's Test was his

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- When did Mohammad Ali win his light-heavyweight Olympic gold?

1964	1956	1960
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Nat'l v'ball results

Sports Reporter
Bangladesh Jute Mills Corporation and Ansars recorded their second successive wins in the women's competition of the BGIC national volleyball championships at the Mirpur Indoor Stadium yesterday.
On the second day of the six-day tourney, BJMC, the defending champions who beat Dhaka in their first match of the six-team league on Friday, registered a convincing 15-2, 15-1, 15-2 win over Narayan-ganj while Ansar Girls routed Pabna 15-7, 15-2, 15-5.
With yesterday's results, both BJMC and Ansars share the top slot with full four points each.
Meanwhile, Tangail girls beat Dhaka 15-1, 15-2, 15-0 in day's other encounter.
In the men's group, Bangladesh Police recorded a 15-8, 15-9, 15-3 victory over Rajshahi.

FIFA fines Nigeria

ATLANTA, July 27: The international football federation (FIFA) fined Nigeria 10,000 dollars on Friday for breaking publicity rules at the Olympic Games, reports AFP.
The players warmed up for their final group game against Brazil on Thursday with name of their sponsors emblazoned in huge letters on their T-shirts, breaching FIFA and International Olympic Committee rules.
Teams are often fined for such offences and their sponsors often happily pay the fine.
Ghana, Africa's other quarterfinalists on the Olympic football, were fined 1,000 dollars for not wearing their allocated colours in their match against Mexico. A FIFA spokesman said it had been a symbolic punishment.
Stephen Baido of Ghana will be suspended for his team's quarterfinal against Brazil after being sent off against Mexico for two yellow-card offences.

Americans alone atop

ATLANTA, July 27: For the first time in these Olympics, Ireland's Michelle Smith failed Friday, crying over bronze following three swimming golds. Instead Amy Van Dyken of the United States clinched a fourth gold in the pool and the men's medley team capped an American gold rush with a world record report agencies.

The seventh day of competition at the centennial Games also saw Greek weightlifter Pyrrhos Dimas broke two world records in winning the Olympic gold medal in the 83-kilogram (182.75-pound) division.

Dimas, 24, broke his own records in the snatch at 180 kilograms (396.75 pounds) and total at 392.5 kilograms (865.25 pounds). He set the previous record of 177.5 kilograms (291.25 pounds) in the snatch on May 5, 1995 and of 287.5 kilograms (635.25 pounds) on Nov 22, 1995.

Ecuador's Jefferson Perez won the first track event, the 20-kilometre walk early Friday, earning the first Olympic medal ever — and a gold to boot — for the South American nation.

Boosted by Van Dyken, the United States won 13 golds and 26 total swimming medals, way ahead of its closest rival. In the finale of the week-long competition, the men's 400m medley relay team set a world record of 3 minutes, 34.84 seconds, cutting the 1988 US mark by a whopping 2.09 seconds.

In the overall medal standings, the United States overtook Russia in the gold total to lead 16-13 and extended its domination in the overall total to a 39-28 margin. Germany is third with 25, although it only includes three gold. China has 20, with seven gold.

On the last day of swimming, Smith finally showed she was fallible, trailing all the way in her best event, the 200 butterfly. She could never catch Susan O'Neill and was nipped at the line by a second Australian for silver.

After finishing third in her last race, Smith became emotional. "I started crying, and I thought, am I crying because I won a bronze? And then I thought, no I'm crying because I'm going home with three gold and a bronze. And I'm really happy," the Irish swimmer said.

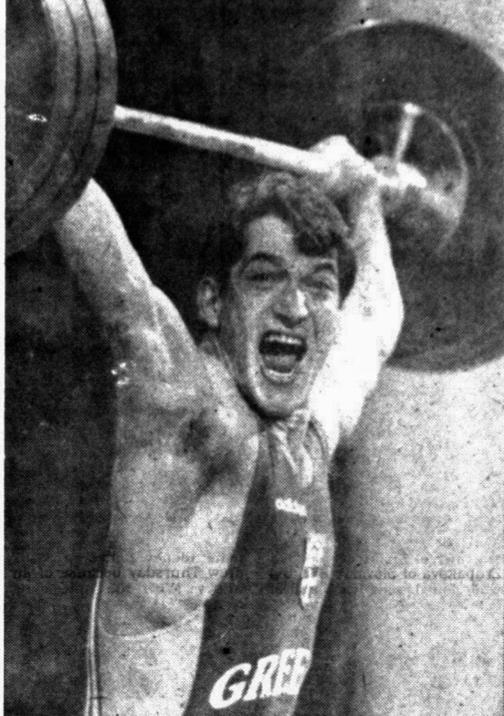
So were the Australians. After a disappointing week in the pool, Australia made up for it Friday by taking two golds — O'Neill in the butterfly and Kieren Parkins in the men's 500-metre freestyle.

Perkins assured himself a permanent place in long-distance swimming's Hall of Fame



Atlanta 1996

which ranked alongside the greatest achievements of his career



Greek Pyrrhos Dimas exults lifting 180 kg to rewrite his own world record and win the gold in the 83kg division. His old record was 177kg.

Boycott joins the dock

LONDON, July 27: Former England opening batsman Geoffrey Boycott was the latest cricketing legend to appear as a witness here on Friday in the libel case brought against former Pakistan captain Imran Khan by ex-England cricketers Ian Botham and Allan Lamb, reports AFP.

Botham and Lamb are suing Imran over an "offensive personal attack" on them in India Today magazine, which they say called them racist, uneducated and lacking class and upbringing.

Boycott, a veteran of 108 Tests, told the jury that ball-tampering had gone on for as long as he could remember. He did not regard picking at the seam of the ball as cheating.

"It's definitely technically a breach of the rule but cheating — no, it's too emotive a word," he agreed with Imran and England captain Mike Atherton that the laws on ball-tampering should be reviewed.

"They should have been dealt with years ago. The ICC takes a long time to do anything, it's slower than a tortoise."

Boycott said he liked the Pakistani team. "They are exceptionally talented players. I don't have a problem with them. They are headstrong. Only yesterday I spoke to someone and said you want your damned heads knocked together some of the

Army soccer

JESSORE, July 27: Chittagong area team and Jessore area team moved into the final of the annual football championship of the Bangladesh Army, winning their respective semifinal matches at the Jessore Cantonment today, reports UNB.

In the semis, Chittagong area team defeated Air Defence Artillery team 2-0 while Jessore area team beat Comilla area team by 3-2 goals.

The final will be tomorrow.

time." "Because if they play as a united force, which they did when Imran was captain, they can beat anyone in the world."

"But when they become fragmented with in-fighting and politics between themselves, they become so disorganised, it's worse than the Yorkshire committee."

Boycott was referred to by former Yorkshire and England captain Brian Close's earlier in the case when, with regard to Boycott's views on ball-tampering, he said he would not like to answer a question about whether Boycott was an "honest man."

The case continues on Monday.

SA "A" cricketer stick the course

LONDON, July 27: Herschelle Gibbs led a South Africa "A" run spree on Friday with five batsmen making half centuries against Nottinghamshire on the opening day of the tour match at Trent Bridge, reports AFP.

The tourists rattled up 396 for six, highlighted by Gibbs' third wicket partnership of 140 in only 21 overs with Deon Ackerman.

The acceleration came after South Africa A had crawled to 50 for two in the first 21 overs.

Notts were wither their front line seam attack because of injury problems, although Bobby Champvan claimed three victims, the first of which came in his first over of the day.

Gibbs hit 16 fours in his 170 minute innings before Champvan hit back in his afternoon spell by dismissing both Gibbs and Ackerman.

That was only brief respite for Notts as Derek Crookes picked up the momentum again, continuing his recent good form with stylish innings of 59.

And the tourists piled on the runs in the final session as Lance Klusener and wicket-keeper Nick Potthas shared an unbroken stand of 114 for the seventh wicket, Klusener finishing the day unbeaten on 65. Potthas' more subdued innings took him to 63 by the close.

Apart from Champvan's three for 97 from 20 overs, the only other Notts bowler to make any sort of impression was Spinner Richard Bates, who claimed two for 74.

The Australian world record-holder started in Lane Eight after barely scraping into the final, apparently with little chance of repeating his triumph in the same event in Barcelona four years ago.

In the shortest race, Van Dyken won the 50m freestyle for the title of swimming's fastest woman and became the only swimmer with four golds at the Atlanta Games — two individual and two team relays.

In judo, North Korea's Kye Sun ended the 84-match winning streak of Japan's Ryoko Tamura with a victory in the women's under 48 kilogram (106-pound) division.

China recovered from a shaky start in shooting to capture three medals Friday led by victories from Yang Ling and Li Duhong.

Kang feels confident

Sports Reporter

South Korean coach Man Young Kang hopes to see Mohammedan Sporting Club as the new champions in the forthcoming Premier Division football league scheduled to begin at the Dhaka Stadium on August 12.

Kang, the newly appointed MSC coach who arrived in the capital two days ago, expressed his aspiration while talking to a group of sports journalists at an informal meeting at the Bangladesh Sports Journalists Association office, Dhaka Stadium, last night.

"The boys have not played football for last nine months. They have gone slow. They have to be brought back to their previous shape. If I can do that properly, Mohammedans will be the champions this year," said Kang.

When asked about the standard of MSC team this year, a confident Kang said, "Well, I admit that the team is a bit weaker this year. But that is no big deal. If they undergo training according to my guidance, they will definitely fare well."

Kang, however, told the media men, he has come to train Mohammedans for only five months. After the end of his tenure he will again go back to Hong Kong where he coaches the Hong Kong.

Bangladesh boys baffle Maldives

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh kicked off their preliminary round campaign of the 30th Asian youth (under-19) football championship in style with a crushing 3-0 defeat on hosts Maldives yesterday.

Bangladesh, who on their arrival at Male suddenly discovered themselves on the top following the late withdrawal of strong Iraq from the draw of strong Iraq from the draw of Group 9, showed no emotion to roll up a hapless hosts to brighten their chance of a final round berth.

According to a faxed message received here yesterday, Bangladesh led the first half 1-0. Skipper Hasan Al Mamun opened the account with a blistering 30-yarder after only 15 minutes while striker Don doubled the margin from a rebound at the 73rd minute amidst cheers from around seven thousand Bangladeshi expatriates.

Defender Shahjada then stepped up to convert a penalty two minutes from the final whistle to complete the islanders' rout.

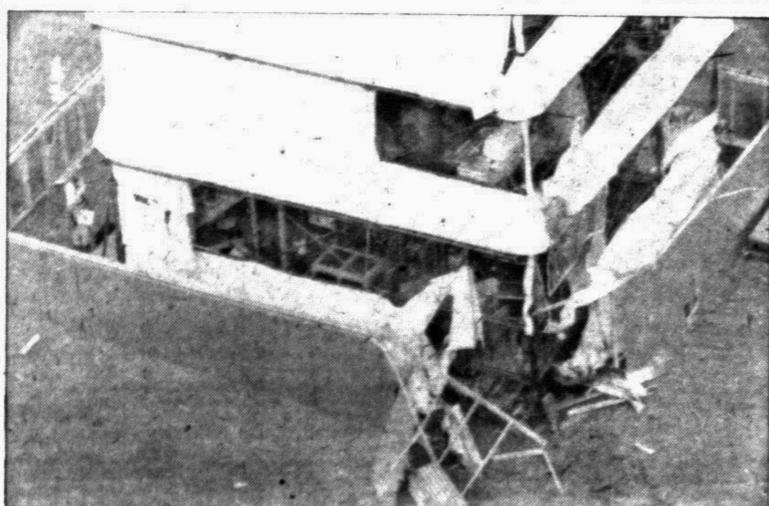
The visitors, who are scheduled to take on their vanquished in a re-match on Monday, will be looking at least for a draw for a passage into the final round of the championship, scheduled to be held in South Korea next September.

The Bangladesh Team: Tony, Hasan Al Mamun, Shahajada, Pradeep, Nazrul, Azim, Iqbal, Rana (Tipu), Askar Babu, Don and Faisal.

Shocking

ATLANTA, July 27: A spectator died of a heart attack Friday while waiting to get into Olympic Stadium for the first day of the athletics events, reports AP.

American Vicki White, 44, died at Grady Memorial Hospital shortly after an ambulance brought her from the stadium.



SCENE OF THE CRIME: The heavily damaged sound and lighting tower after a bomb ripped through the Centennial Olympic Park while a concert was being held on July 27.

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Pakistan tighten grip

Sports Reporter

Pakistan remained firmly in control of the first Test at Lord's Saturday after dismissing England for 285 and scoring 162 for three at the close on the third day.

Having scored 340 in the first innings, Pakistan are now 217 runs ahead of the home side at stumps, with Saad Anwar smashing a dazzling 88.

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Lee lords over Yorkshire

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Set to score 413, they collapsed to 160 for seven at the close on the penultimate day at Scarborough on Friday.

Somerset were frustrated by a robust half-century stand involving Darren Gough and Peter Hartley, but should win.

Lee's innings had its roots in a minor crisis. Somerset were uneasily placed at 121 for five — only 138 ahead — when he joined the determined Mark Lathwell, who made 80.

The 22-year-old adopted a positive approach, plundering his runs from 109 balls with the aid of two sixes and 22 fours.

Kent pacesman Dean Headley thrust himself back into international contention with a hat-trick and a career-best eight-wicket haul at Derby.

Swimming course

Sports Reporter

A swimming course for women of different age group, organised by Bangladesh Women Sports Association, will begin at the BWSA pool at Dhanmondi from August 1, says a press release.

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SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the third day of the first Test between England and Pakistan at Lord's on Saturday.

PAKISTAN: First innings 340 (Inzamamul Haq 148, Saad Anwar 74)

ENGLAND: First innings (overnight 200-5)

N. Knight	lbw b Waqar Younis	51
M. Atherton	lbw b Wasim Akram	12
A. Stewart	lbw	39
b Mushtaq Ahmed		77
G. Thorpe	b Ataur Rahman	4
G. Hick	b Waqar Younis	25
M. Edman	c Rashid Latif	41
b Ataur Rahman		25
R. Russell	not out	41
D. Cork	c Saad Anwar	3
b Ataur Rahman		5
I. Salisbury	lbw b Waqar Younis	0
A. Mullyally	b Waqar Younis	0
S. Brown	b Atatur Rehman	1
Extras	(0-9 lb 13 w 1 ab 4)	27
Total (102.4 overs)		285
Fail of wkts	1-27, 2-107, 3-107, 4-116, 5-180, 6-260, 7-264, 8-269, 9-269	

Bowling	O	M	R	W
Wasim Akram	22	4	49	1
Waqar Younis				