

Column One Sports WHIZZ KID

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- 1. Double Olympic gold medalist Marie Jose Perrec is... 2. The electronic timing devices were first introduced in... 3. Which country leads the opening ceremony march-past in every Olympic Games?...

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SPORTS TALK



Imran Khan [Former Pakistan cricket captain] 'Azhar has lost confidence in himself. He should step down from the captaincy of the Indian cricket team and Sachin Tendulkar should take over.'

Yorkshire yell

LONDON, Aug 7: Yorkshire said on Tuesday that lack of interest in the Pakistan tourists was the reason for disappointing ticket sales leading up to Thursday's second cricket Test against England at Headingley, reports AFP.

Gerry Gomez passes away

BRIDGETOWN, Aug 7: Gerry Gomez, a leading figure in West Indies cricket for more than 50 years, has died in his native Trinidad, his family said. He was 76, reports AP.



IM Reefat-bin-Sattar ponders his next move against Babu during his first round match of the open international rating chess tournament at the NSC chess room yesterday. Reefat won the board. — Star photo

BU, Arambagh, East End brief the press Brothers coming as big gun

Sports Reporter Amer Khan, the newly-appointed captain of Brothers Union Club, hoped that his team will be in the mainstream for the title race in the forthcoming Premier Division football league, beginning in the capital from Monday.

AKC, MSC take the field today

Sports Reporter Defending champions Abahani Krira Chakra and their arch-rivals Mohammedan Sporting Club will clash for the first time this season at the Dhaka Stadium today. But not against each other.

Open rating chess opens

Sports Reporter Defending national champion IM Ziaur Rahman, his rival IM Reefat-bin-Sattar along with other 43 kick-off their campaign on a winning note on the inaugural day of the Open International rating chess championship at the NSC chess room yesterday.

BD Green grill Navy

Sports Reporter Bangladesh Green moved into the semifinals of the first BKSIP Cup hockey tournament with a crushing 5-0 win over Bangladesh Navy in one of the two preliminary round robin league matches held at the BKSIP in Savar yesterday.

Headingley Test begins today England in Waqar scare

LEEDS, England, Aug 7: Pakistan's sultan of swinging yorkers, Waqar Younis, emerges from a nine-day rest on Thursday, ready to inflict more torment on England in the second Test at Headingley, reports Reuter.



WANIM AKRAM However, a refreshed and fully recovered Waqar, with his ability to bowl late in-swinging yorkers seemingly at his will, should pose an even greater threat to England in Headingley's traditionally helpful conditions.

England lost the first Test under such circumstances when they plunged from 168 for one to 243 all out during the second session on the last day. For Headingley, England, have taken steps to bolster their batting by dropping the out-of-form Graeme Hick — 43 runs in six Test innings this season — in favour of a recall for John Crawley, and bringing back Nasser Hussain, sidelined at Lord's by a fractured right index finger.

Cricket enters new era

ALEXANDRIA, South Africa, Aug 7 (Reuter): The dusty streets of Alexandria throb with the healthy screams of excited children playing cricket in the streets. It is a joyful noise that resounds more and more frequently throughout the black townships of South Africa as the sport continues to expand its horizons away from its traditional base among the whites of the country.



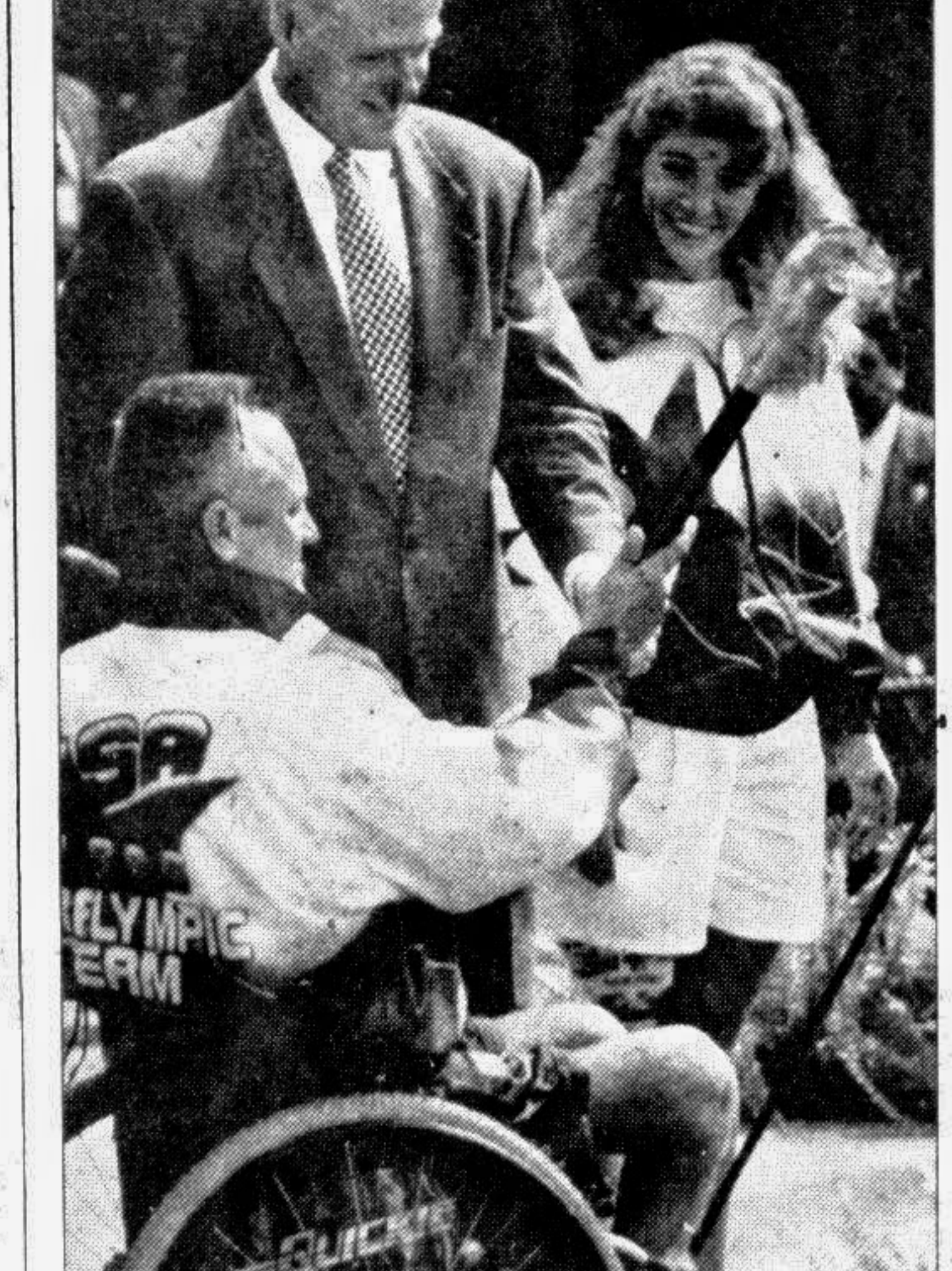
Atlanta Olympic judo gold medalist Yuko Emoto (L) chuckles as she meets Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto on August 7 at the Premier's official residence in Tokyo. — AFP/UNB photo

established throughout the Commonwealth to a truly global sport," he said in his report at the ICC annual meeting at Lord's. The ICC, which has nine Test-playing teams, 23 associate members and further 13 affiliated members, has created a development committee to take cricket beyond its present boundaries in Britain and its former colonies.

Bacher says his committee then plans to turn its attention to the associate members, who will next year compete for three places at the 1999 cricket World Cup. Bacher says all programmes have to be sustainable worldwide and he sees a role for former Test players in the expansion plans.

Vendors down in dumps

ATLANTA, Aug 7: Street vendors angry that they lost money during the Olympics confronted Atlanta city officials on Tuesday, complaining they were misled about how many visitors would buy their wares, reports Reuter.



US President Bill Clinton hands over the Paralympic torch to Randy Snow (L) at the South Lawn of the White House on Tuesday prior to the start of the Paralympic Torch Run from Washington DC to Atlanta. The Paralympics will start in Atlanta from August 15. — AFP/UNB photo

Almost 400 vendors were licensed to sell everything from icecream and sausages to T-shirts and handcrafted items at city-owned locations near the Olympic Stadium and Olympic Village. But a areas promoted as being pedestrian walkways were left open to vehicle traffic, while other streets were completely barricaded.

Street vendors who wanted to set up shop during the Olympics had to deal with Munson Stead, a cart vendor in underground Atlanta, who was last year given the exclusive right to lease vending sites. Stead is a friend of mayor Bill Campbell, who hired Stead to print T-shirts for his 1993 political campaign. He was unable to obtain the letter of credit required under his contract with the city, but was allowed to proceed after producing 2.5 million dollars in "cash and contractual commitments."

When Olympic sponsors, he reduced his total revenue prediction for all vendors from 25.2 million dollars, to 7.3 million dollars. Former mayor Andrew Young, co-chairman of the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games (ACOG), said this week that vendors "paid too much for their licenses" and had unrealistic expectations. "Everybody thought that three million people were coming here and all three million people would come by their stand," Young said. "We cautioned people for four years against excessive expectations and certainly against greed. The market is a cruel judge."

Wilson's debut goes in vain

CHELMSFORD, England, Aug 7: Danny Wilson, the 19-year-old Essex all-rounder, enjoyed a successful debut against South Africa A here on Tuesday with an unbeaten 52 and two wickets although the tourists finished with an 11-run victory, reports AFP.

Wilson helped himself to one six and three fours in his entertaining innings and most of his runs arrived during an unbeaten stand of 80 in ten overs with Mark Iltot, who finished 42 not out from 27 deliveries. South Africa, who remain unbeaten on this tour, owed a great deal of debt to captain Gerry Liebenberg. He scored 73 from 86 balls but just when he was looking to step up a gear he was smartly caught at the leg by Robert Ross to provide Wilson with his first success. Liebenberg's chief support came from Herschell Gibbs, who scored 48 during a second wicket stand, which produced 103 in 16 overs. Liebenberg then went on to underline his ability in the field by taking a fine catch low down at short mid-wicket to get rid of Jonathan Lewis for 48 just when Essex were threatening to gain the initiative. Following Lewis's departure, Essex went off the boil until Wilson and Iltot came together to set up an exciting finish which ended with South Africa able to celebrate an 11-run victory.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Clues include: 1 Locales for cramming, 6 Gray in a painting?, 12 Antipasto ingredient, 13 With hands on hips, 14 Working together, 15 Charted, 16 Carrots, 17 Poetic praise, 19 Poetic praise, 20 Bridge position, 22 Old French coin, 24 Newspaper revenue source, 27 Suits to, 29 Wreck, 32 Bull session participant?, 35 Gopher Aoki, 36 Entreaty, 37 Compass dir., 38 It's in the bag, 40 Farm fraction, 42 Check for authenticity, 44 Football star, 46 Anatomical network, 50 Bygone kitchen fixture, 52 Roma is there, 54 Show up, 55 Sadat's predecessor, 56 Harbored feelings of passion, 57 Avarice, 58 Broad valley, 59 Earthen pot, 60 Paycheck plus, 61 Bovary's title: abbr., 62 Evade, 63 Moist, 64 Approvals, 65 Sartorial, 66 Confines, 67 Sleeping, 68 Lump, 69 Fool, 70 Eminent, 71 Motorists' solution: 24 mins., 72 Centrifuge insert, 73 Beige, 74 Off the payroll, 75 Differently, 76 Requiring overtime, 77 Hearing aid?, 78 Or 1, in computer-ese, 79 One for the road.