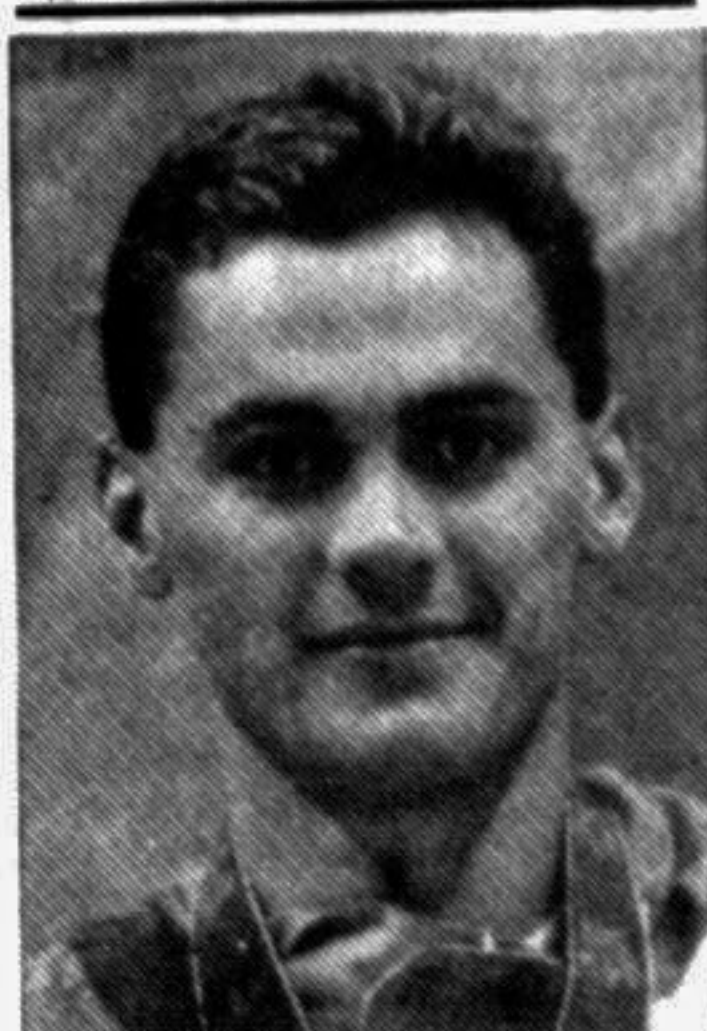


Column One

SPORTS TALK



Alexander Popov
(Russian swimmer)
"I have to get well first, but I'll go back there (Australia) to train."
About his plan after being stabbed in Moscow recently.

Sports

WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

WIN
TK, 2000/-
PRIZE BOND
EVERY FORTNIGHT

Sports WHIZZ KID

competition-53

✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes : 8 pm
September 27, 1996

- The winner of the man-of-the-series award in the Singer World Series is
De Silva Jayasuria Ranatunga
- The number of participating nations in the Pepsi ACC Trophy are
15 12 10
- The winner of the US Open 1996 women's title is
Graf Seles Hingis
- The Bangladeshi who scored a century in the first round of the Pepsi ACC Trophy is
Akram Bulbul Bidyut
- The new England Test vice-captain is
Hussain Stewart Russell

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Class: Roll No.
School Address:
Phone: (if any)

Nat'l sports

heat today

The national sports heat will be held today at the Women's Sports Complex at 9.00 am for selecting 15 athletes for participation in the first Asia-Pacific Special Olympic Games in Shanghai, China, according to a press release yesterday, reports BSS.

Flicker of light

for Luton

LONDON, Sept 26: Luton, who have dropped two division since winning the English League Cup in 1988, revived old memories of Cup campaigns when they knocked Premier league Derby out of the competition 3-2 on aggregate on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

Luton, who won the first leg of the second round tie 1-0 at home last week, forced a 2-2 draw at Derby who hit back after a 12th minute Kim Grant goal with goals from Dean Sturridge after 40 minutes and Paul Simpson five minutes later.

But Tony Thorpe scored Luton's equaliser midway through the second half and that was enough to put them into the third round.

Second Division Blackpool, thumped 4-1 at home by Chelsea last week, beat Rotherham 3-1 at Stamford Bridge but narrowly went out 5-4 on aggregate.

But the other Premier league sides playing against lower division opposition had no problems.

Injury-hit Tottenham briefly put their league worries behind them with a 3-0 win over Second Division with 18-year-old rookie Rory Allen scoring twice in the second half for a 4-1 aggregate victory. Darren Anderton, who scored in the 1-1 draw at Preston last week, opened the scoring for Tottenham after 31 minutes.

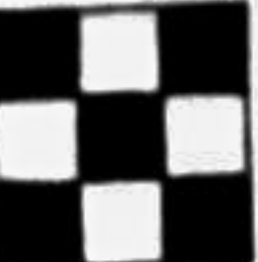
Tottenham, who have not won a league match at home since March were boosted by the return from injury of England striker Teddy Sheringham after five matches, but Anderton's bad luck with injuries continued and he was substituted in the second half.

Southampton, without a win in the Premier league after seven matches, thumped Peterborough 4-1 for a 6-1 aggregate victory, while Leicester beat Third Division Scarborough 2-1 with a 90th minute Garry Parker penalty giving Leicester victory on the night and 4-1 aggregate win.

In other matches Wimbledon drew 1-1 at First Division Portsmouth to go through 2-1 win over Third Division Barnet for a 2-1 aggregate success.

BD poised to win Round 10

Faisal Murshed from Yerevan, Armenia



Bangladesh men looked set for a 3-1 victory over higher seeded Switzerland. So far Niaz and Kayes' board was drawn against Pelletier (2440) and Ekstrom (2410). Zia and Reefat were both in easy winning position till filing of the report.

Zia playing with black against IM Beat Zuger (2460) showed fine acumen in refusing a draw and launching an attack on the enemy King. Zia is in good form since Round 9. He scored the only draw against GM Lev Psakhis (2590) when Bangladesh went down 0.5-3.5 to Israel.

Reefat playing with white was a pawn up in the rook ending and also held a better pawn structure. It seemed that Reefat's win against IM Franzoni 2460 was only a matter of time.

GM Niaz Murshed didn't want to fight after a demoralising defeat in the earlier round to Leonid Yudasin 2595 and settled for a quick draw.

Kayes did very well to equalise early and get a valuable point for Bangladesh against his higher rated opponent.

With this win Bangladesh's total will go up to 22 out of possible 40 points. This is by far the best performance by any past national teams. Bangladesh stands within the first 30 teams out of 113 teams. There are another 4 rounds to go. Tomorrow will be the second rest day.

Bangladesh women are two down against Canada today. They have collected 13.5 out of 29 games so far.

AP adds: Russia maintained its lead in the World Chess Olympiad Wednesday after team leader Garri Kasparov defeated Bulgarian player Veselin Topalov.

In the ninth of the Olympiad's 14 rounds, Russia beat Bulgaria 3.5:0.5, and now has 27 points. Kasparov, the world's top-ranking player, earned his victory playing black against Topalov. Bulgaria's top player.

Spain beat Georgia 2.5-1.5 to become the sole team in second place.

Eight teams — Armenia-1, Hungary, Ukraine, Sweden, the United States, China, England and Bosnia — tied for third place with 22.5 points each.

Four teams — Yugoslavia,

Netherlands, Uzbekistan, Iceland have 22 points each. Ukraine's No 1 Vasily Ivanchuk beat Estonian player Jan Ehlvest. Armenian Vladimir Akopian defeated former US champion Boris Gulko.

In the women's competition, the Georgian team defeated Poland 2.5-0.5 and now leads with 21.5 points.

Ukraine beat Germany 2-1 and holds the second position. Despite the Chinese team's loss to Romania 1-2, it is still in third place with 18.5 points.

Men's results:

Russia 3.5, Bulgaria 0.5
Spain 2.5, Georgia 1.5
Armenia-1.2, United States 2
Hungary 2, Netherlands 2
China 3, Peru 1
England 3, Vietnam 1
Yugoslavia 2.5, Germany 1.5
Bosnia 3, Croatia 1
Ukraine 3, Estonia 1
Czech Republic 2.5, Portugal 1.5
Uzbekistan 3, Indonesia 1
France 2.5, Argentina 1.5
Sweden 3.5, Belarus 0.5
Israel 3.5, Bangladesh 0.5
Poland 2.5, Armenia-2 1.5
Latvia 3, Switzerland 1

Women's result:

Romania 2, China 1
Georgia 2.5, Poland 0.5
Ukraine 2, Germany 1
Russia 1.5, Yugoslavia 1.5
Lithuania 2, Vietnam 1
Israel 2, Slovakia 1
Hungary 2, Indonesia 1
England 2.5, Cuba 0.5
Latvia 2, Armenia-2 1
Kazakhstan 2, Armenia-1 1
Moldova 2, Czech Republic 1
Belarus 1.5, USA 1.5
Greece 2.5, France 0.5
Bulgaria 2.5, Netherlands 0.5
Estonia 2, Spain 1
Bosnia 2, Croatia 1

Chalantika, Banarupa joint champs

BANDARBAN, Sept 26: Chalantika Club and Banarupa Friends Club emerged joint champions in the district football tournament concluded at the Bandarban Stadium today, reports UNB.

Bandarban District Sports Association, the organiser of the tournament, declared both the teams joint champions as the final match between them ended in one-all draw.

Ten teams took part in the tournament that began on Sept 12. State Minister for Youth, Sports and Cultural Affairs Obaidul Kader was present at the final as chief guest and later gave away prizes.



Action from yesterday's Danish First Division match between Wari Club and BRTC Sports Club at the Dhaka Stadium. The match ended in a 1-1 draw. —Star photo

Tyson trial takes a turn



ALBANY, New York, Sept 26: Boxer Mike Tyson's surrogate mother and current trainer both said Wednesday that mentor Cus D'Amato planned to fire ex-trainer Kevin Rooney but didn't get the chance before dying in 1985, reports AP.

Rooney, whose 49 million dollars lawsuit against the heavyweight champion is being tried in federal court here, claims Tyson promised him a job as his trainer for life.

After also bringing in boxer Bobby Czyz to testify, Tyson's lawyers wrapped up their defence. The case is expected to go to the eight-member jury after closing arguments on Thursday.

Jurors heard videotaped testimony from Camille Ewald, D'Amato's longtime live-in friend from Catskill, New York, who is considered a surrogate mother by Tyson. The 91-year-old Ewald is hospitalised with heart problems.

Ewald said D'Amato told her

that he considered Rooney "a mistake" as trainer because of his problems with gambling.

"Rooney said Cus told him that he was going to be Mike Tyson's trainer for life," she said. "I couldn't believe him because I didn't hear that from Cus. Cus was going to fire him."

In fact, Ewald said she was responsible for Rooney continuing as Tyson's trainer after D'Amato's death until Tyson fired him in 1988. She said Rooney asked her following a visit to D'Amato in the hospital who was going to train Tyson.

Jay Bright, another D'Amato boxing disciple who is Tyson's current trainer, also testified that D'Amato had asked him to replace Rooney as Tyson's trainer. Bright was an aspiring actor at the time.

"I told him, if you ask me to do something, I'll do it," he said. "But primarily, I was concerned about my acting."

He said he never had a chance to discuss the matter again before D'Amato died.

Rooney, who called Bright a

"liar" in comments to reporters after the testimony, took the stand briefly late Wednesday to rebut most of Tyson's defense witnesses. He said he was never told that D'Amato was unhappy with him and accused Ewald of not telling the truth.

Rooney's testimony in an exaggerated New York accent brought many in the courtroom — including Tyson — to laughter, particularly when he described how he only saw public affection between Ewald and D'Amato once in their 40 years together.

"Cus didn't want anyone knowing that Camille was his woman," he said.

Jurors, however, kept a straight face during his testimony.

Czyz, like heavyweight boxer Tommy Morrison a day earlier, testified about the importance of a trainer to a fighter and said trainers serve at the whim of the boxer.

The fighter has sole discretion over who his trainer will be," said Czyz, also a boxing commentator.

fitness royale

with rani padamsee

Thighs: Bugs Bunny Lunge
Tightens, tones, and defines the inner thigh, helps to develop the front thigh muscle



(quadriceps), and helps to remove "saddle bags."
Stance: Stand with your feet a natural width apart. Keep your back back straight. Hold a dumbbell in each hand, palms

facing your body, and arms straight down at your sides. Look at a point directly in front of you.

Movement: Keeping your left foot in place, and with the toes of your right leg pointed out as far as possible, lunge forward with your right leg about two and a half feet. You will be bending your right knee as you lunge. Flex your left leg and feel the stretch in your lunging leg. Return to start position and repeat the movement until you have completed your set. Repeat the set for your other leg. Without resting, proceed to the other exercise in this twin set, the standing butt squeeze.

Alert: Keeping the toes of your lunging leg pointed out will at first seem to be a very awkward proposition. In time, however, you will get used to it and may even enjoy it. It's well worth the effort because this exercise really helps to tighten the inner thigh and places pretty lines of definition in that area.

Variation: You may do barbell lunges by placing a barbell on your shoulders. You may do regular lunges by keeping your toes pointed straight ahead

this method places a greater emphasis on the front thigh muscle.

Breathe normal
Those who are already doing weights can add ankle weights



to increase pressure. Beginners please start with light weight (1 lbs) dumbbells.
Photo: The Daily Star
Model: Lemon of Begal School of Shoton



The Hyundai Tigers Club booters, having a light practice session at the Mirpur Stadium yesterday. —Star photo

Leagues resume Oct 1

Wari, BRTC split points

Sports Reporter

Wari Club and BRTC SC shared honours in a one-all draw during the lone Danish First Division football league match at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

After a barren first half Mithu shot Wari ahead in the 60th minute. But their joy was short-lived as Nurul pulled off the equaliser 16 minutes later.

The draw now left BRTC with 12 points from eight league engagements while Wari, demoted from the elite Premier league last year, increased their tally to eight from as many outings.

Meanwhile, the Mahanagari league committee, who is running the two-tier Senior Division football leagues, has suspended the leagues till September 30.

The league will resume on October 1.

RU handball

From RU Correspondent

RAJSHAHI, Sept 26: Shaiful Islam scored all the goals to help the Department of Accounting romp home with a 4-0 defeat on English Department in the inaugural match of the inter-department handball championship at the university stadium today.

On the other hand, Mass Communication Department got walk-over against Psychology in the other engagement of the day.

Fed-Ex squash

Sports Reporter

Ramjagadish, Samad, Karim, Muhi and Badal won their respective Fed-Ex Open squash tournament matches held at the Dhaka Club squash court yesterday.

On the fourth day of the meet, Ramjagadish defeated Jagadish Chouhan 9-5, 9-4, 9-3. Samad beat Samad 9-2, 9-7, 9-6. Karim outplayed Ershad 9-2, 9-3, 9-3. Muhi edged past Mehdi 10-8, 9-3, 9-3 and Badal beat Anisul Haque 3-9, 9-4, 6-9, 9-3, 9-2.

Drug squad raids Boca

BUENOS AIRES, Sept 26: An Argentine police drug squad on Wednesday raided Diego Maradona's club Boca Juniors, the Argentina Football Association and a sports training centre where routine soccer match drug tests are examined, reports Reuter.

Boca's spokesman Ivan Pavlovsky told reporters at the Buenos Aires grounds of Argentina's most famous club that police "asked for players' dope-test records and took them away."

He said they were interested in the records of tests done two months ago on Maradona — who admits he takes drugs and was banned for 15 months for failing a drugs test at the US World Cup — and Deportivo Espanol player Martin Vargas.

The test on Maradona, who recently spent 10 days at a Swiss drugs clinic to try to beat the habit, was negative. The test on Vargas was positive.

AFA chairman Julio Gron-dona, taken by surprise by the raid, told reporters police could "take whatever they want from the basement to the top floor where the caretaker lives."

Ridiculous!

MELBOURNE, Sept 26: A Melbourne brothel has offered free sex to Sydney Swans players who take on North Melbourne on Saturday in the Australian Football League (AFL) grand final, reports AFP.

Swans officials have barred their players from sleeping with wives and girlfriends the night before the season decider.

But the top of the town brothel said if the players were used to having sex before a game they should continue their routine.

Brothel spokesman David Ross said his establishment would supply girls to the Swans hotel rooms for nothing.

"We are prepared to take it to their door, if the players are used to having sex before the game and then they miss out they will feel neglected," Ross said. "It might affect their performance."

"Only players not accompanied by Melbourne by their wives and girlfriends may take advantage of this offer," he said.

Hyundai expect a toughie

Sports Reporter

A 28-member Hyundai Tigers football team of South Korea arrived in the capital Wednesday night to take on Dhaka Mohammedan Sports Club in their 7th Asian Cup Winners' Cup away-encounter scheduled to be held at the Dhaka Stadium tomorrow.

In their home match, held in Ulsan, South Korea on September 14, the South Korean outfit trounced Mohammedans 5-0.

The winners of the two-tier match will meet a Japanese side in the next phase.

The visitors, who have 17 booters in their side, had an hour-long practice session at the Mirpur Stadium yesterday under their coach Ko Jea Wook who was the head coach of South Korea 1994 World Cup side.

Talking to The Daily Star during the practice, the head official of the touring side C K Lee said the club, patronised by the Hyundai Limited of South Korea, was established in 1983. The head of the club is Chun Mong Jun, the president of the Korean Football Association and the vice-president of FIFA. He is also the owner of Hyundai.

The coach that also informed Hyundai were the South Korean league champions and this was their first tour abroad.

About tomorrow's match, Lee said, "Well the chance is fifty-fifty for both side to win. Although, we have won the first leg with a big margin but we expect a better opposition tomorrow in Mohammedans."

They had a long journey before the match in Ulsan for which they were tired. But this time they will be a different side in front of their home crowd.

When asked about their own side, the soft spoken South Korean head official said they have three booters from the 1994 World Cup side — goal-

keeper D M Seo (No-21), skipper HS Kim (10) and Song Ju Seog (14) Kim and Seog play in forward position. Besides, the also team includes one from the South Korean Olympic squad and four foreigners. The foreign players are: Branko (19) and Zoran (18) from Yugoslavia, Azima (17) from Egypt and Mani from Mauritius. Zoran and Mani play as forwards while Branko and Azima are mid-fielders.

Talking to The Daily Star after the practice, H S Kim, the captain of the visiting team said, "We have come here with a positive attitude and our side is completely balanced. When asked to comment on their opponents, Kim said, "Mohammedans are good team. They were tired in the first match. But now they will play in their home ground. So we expect a tough fight tomorrow."

About their combination against the Mohammedans, Kim said, they will adopt 1-3-5-2 formation.

There was a big problem to communicate with the Koreans as they do not speak English well. The interpreter provided by the BFF was also not very qualified.

When the reporters tried to communicate with the players all of them responded with only words "No English". But through lingua franca of sorts they all praised midfielder Arman of Mohammedan Sporting Club for his natural football talent.



H S KIM ... captain

Simone Milan's maestro



LONDON, Sept 26: Marco Simone scored a hat-trick in only 19 minutes to lead AC Milan to an impressive 4-1 victory over Rosenborg Trondheim in the European Champions' League on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

Meantime, a solitary goal from Alen Boksic in the 21st minute gave reigning European champions Juventus victory over Fenerbahce of Turkey in the first Champions' League match ever played in Asia.

Milan, bidding to equal real Madrid's 30-year-old record by winning their sixth European Cup this season, bounced back from their opening Group D defeat to FC Porto in Italy two weeks ago with an emphatic victory over the Norwegian champions.

Simone struck after six, 23 and 25 minutes, while Liberian Geroge Weah, the world player-of-the-year, scored Milan's fourth after 55 minutes.

Trond Egil Solftvedt briefly gave Rosenborg some hope when he cancelled out Simone's opening goal, equalising after 15 minutes.

Porto who beat Milan 3-2 two weeks ago, stayed top of Group D after beating IFK Gothenburg 2-1 at home with Artur Oliveira scoring after 27 and 51 minutes. Jorge Costa put through his own net for

Gothenburg's only goal after 72 minutes.

Juventus stayed top of Group C with a 1-0 win over Fenerbahce in Istanbul. Alen Boksic, who scored the winner against Manchester United in their opening match, was the scorer again, striking after 21 minutes.

Juventus, playing in the Fenerbahce Stadium on Istanbul's Asian shore, showed themselves to be impervious to the din created by thousands of Turkish fans pounding drums and screaming from the first to the final whistle.

Boksic's goal came when the nervous Fenerbahce side lost possession in the penalty area, allowing the Croatian striker to swoop and fire into the back of the net.

The Istanbul team had the first goal attempt when a header by Bosnian forward Elvir Bolic in the 10th minute off an angled pass from Tarik Dasgun skimmed over the bar.

Bolic had another chance in the 30th minute but collided with Juventus goalkeeper Michelangelo Rampulla just in front of the goal and shot wide.

Both Turks and Italians squandered several chances to score in the second half but a relaxed Juventus, taking their second victory in two Group C games, managed to keep the upper hand.

Juventus could have in-

creased their lead twice just after the break when French midfielder Zinedine Zidane shot wide in the 51st minute and Turkey's international keeper Rustu Recber stopped a Christian Vieri header in the 56th.

Juventus coach Marcello Lippi said Fenerbahce had made his team fight to the very end.

"Although we managed to keep control for the hour after Boksic's goal, they created several very dangerous chances towards the end," Lippi said. "The match was fast paced."

Substitute Erol Bulut just missed scoring the equaliser in the 84th minute when his close-range header was intercepted by Rampulla, who was standing in for the injured Angelo Peruzzi.

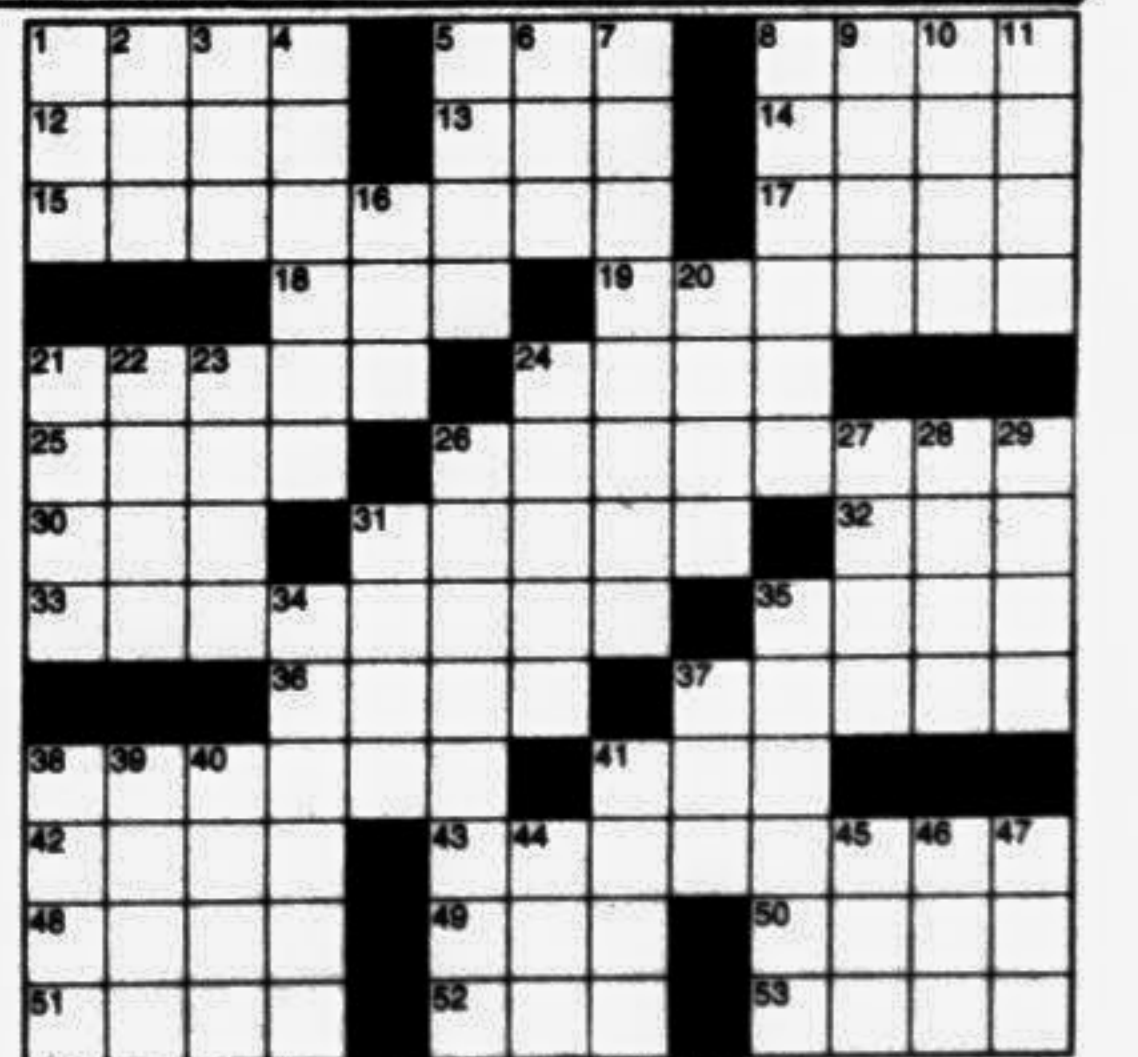
Fenerbahce's Brazilian coach Sebastiao Lazaroni said he was happy with his team's performance.

Bill okayed to regulate boxing

WASHINGTON, Sept 26: The House of Representatives has passed a bill that would establish unprecedented US regulations on boxing, requiring state boxing commissions to recognise a fighters suspension by another state, reports AP.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS**
- 1 Guns the engine
 - 5 Clumsy craft
 - 6 Prelude to a duel
 - 12 On
 - 13 Shade
 - 14 Ponder (over)
 - 15 Split payment?
 - 17 Chip in
 - 18 Rotation
 - 19 Craving
 - 21 Michael's sister
 - 24 Branch
 - 25 Computer operator
 - 26 Defensive fence
 - 30 Tills or Torme
 - 31 Ram on
 - 32 Predicament
 - 33 Conferences
 - 36 Stomach spillover
 - 38 Gary or Eugene
 - 37 Ladies' room?
- DOWN**
- 3 Book spine
 - 4 Arachnophobia's woe
 - 5 Ship-to-shore call?
 - 6 Flow
 - 7 Locales for snooping?
 - 8 Hills, bottom?
 - 9 Seemingly never-ending
 - 10 Comedian
 - 11 Equal
 - 12 Urban
 - 13 Greek H
 - 20 "Exodus"
 - 21 Checker capture
 - 22 Cruising
 - 23 Jodie Foster movie
 - 24 "Nut-cracker" portrayal
 - 26 Not live
 - 27 Place of worship?
 - 28 Seedy joint
 - 29 Oral, perhaps
 - 31 Enthusiastic, plus
 - 34 Locust tree
 - 35 Nevada ex-senator
 - 37 Follow-up to boo or yoo
 - 38 100 centavos
 - 39 Indescent gem
 - 40 Father
 - 41 Play a trumpet
 - 44 Past
 - 45 Baseball's Brook
 - 46 Heavy weight
 - 47 Approvals
- Solution time: 24 mins.**
- BRITISH SPANISH**
BRIAL ALGAE MOO
IMPATIENT POL
IRA YAMALE
GAIMAN ALIAS
ARM PCE DUBIAN
KEPIL VAP LIVE
EASTLEAD VOW
CHAY PATIENT
FEMALE ORE
ALP IMPATIENT
LIP VERSE FEW
LSU ANSEL TOO



CRYPTOQUIP
P R K G P S Y R O L R K J B Y
J M Z L G P S W Y Z Y R L Q X Y
A L M B Y M K X J W Y R J
A Y X R O Y Q Y R
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE MATH TEACHER PROCLAIMED SADLY, "BOY, DO I EVER HAVE PROBLEMS!"
Today's Cryptoquip clue: Q equals B
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.