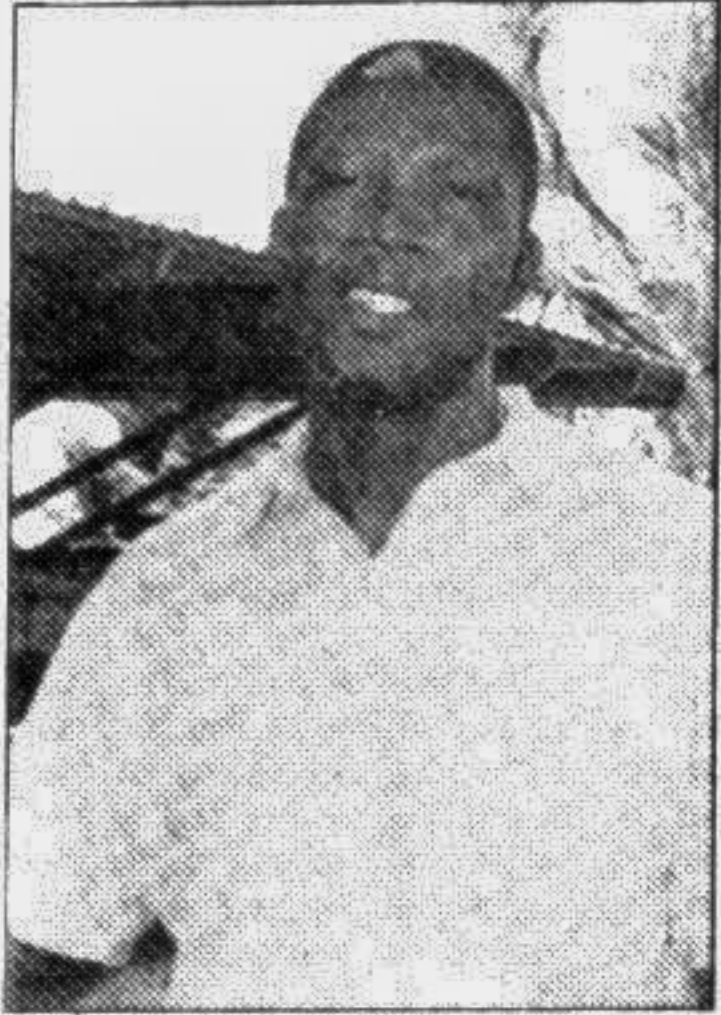


Column One SPORTS TALK

Chanderpaul's classy knock

PORT-OF-SPAIN, Apr 27: Shivnarine Chanderpaul inspired West Indies to an eight-wicket triumph over India in the first limited-over international at Queen's Park Oval here on Saturday with an exciting innings of 83, reports AFP.



Joel Garner (Former West Indies fast bowler)

In the best form of his life, the 22-year-old Chanderpaul lasted 87 balls to lift West Indies to 149 for two off 27.5 overs after they were set a revised target of 146 off 33 overs because of rain interruptions.

Earlier, the West Indies bowlers, led by Curtly Ambrose and Franklyn Rose, exploited a pitch offering generous bounce and movement to restrict India to 179 off 48.3 overs when they chose to bat.

Ambrose captured four for 36 off 9.3 overs and Rose, playing his first one-day international after a successful Test series, bagged three for 25 off 10 overs.

Opening the innings, Chanderpaul struck 12 fours, three of them coming off the first over bowled by Trinidad-born all-rounder Robin Singh.

He shared 43 for the first wicket with Stuart Williams, who skied a catch to mid-off from a delivery of leg-spinner Anil Kumble in the ninth over.

Brian Lara, who was given a tumultuous welcome by his home supporters, was subdued for most of his innings and gave most of the strike to his fellow left-hander.

Chanderpaul, who on 58 was dropped by Sunil Joshi off his own bowling, put on a stylish 83 with Lara which ended when he drove a full toss from paceman Venkatesh Prasad to mid-off.

Lara finished off the contest with a four off Abey Kuruvilla to the wide long-on boundary.

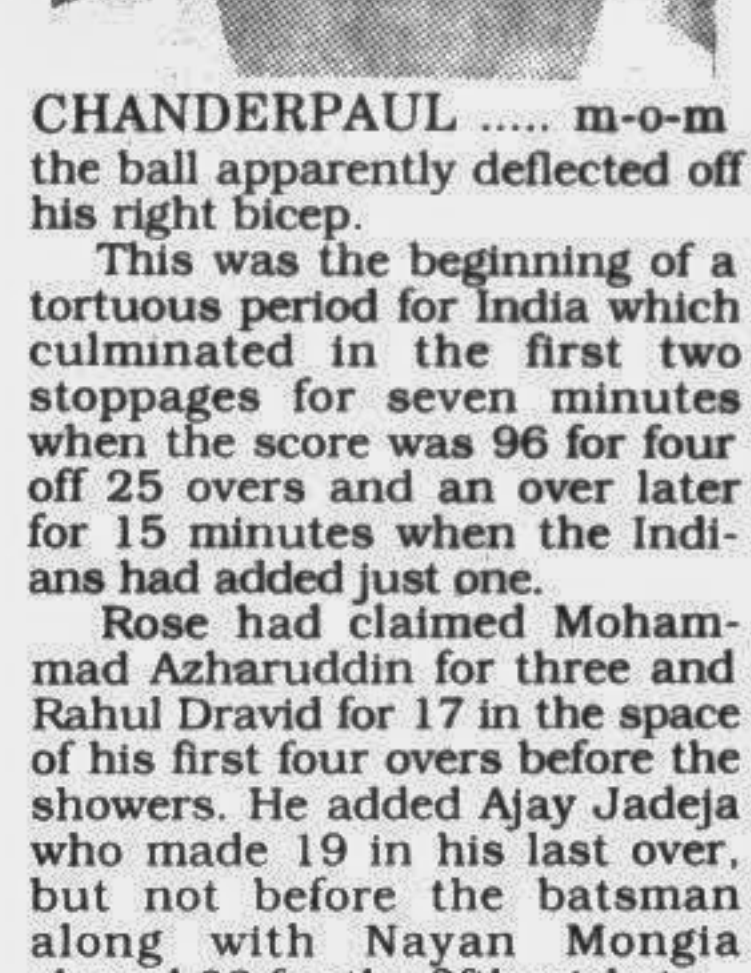
The Indians, who had beaten the hosts in 12 of their last 18 one-day internationals, had their innings disrupted by three stoppages for rain lasting a total of 130 minutes, but were still able to face 48.3 overs.

Choosing to bat, Indian captain Sachin Tendulkar treated

the near capacity crowd to a volley of strokes including four boundaries in fast bowler Ian Bishop's second over.

All but eight of Tendulkar's 44 off 49 balls were in boundaries, but Curtly Ambrose, who had gained a leg before verdict against Navtej Sidhu (5) in the seventh over, had him dubiously caught by wicketkeeper Courtney Browne in the 13th over.

Television replays showed



CHANDERPAUL..... m-o-m-the ball apparently deflected off his right bicep.

This was the beginning of a tortuous period for India which culminated in the first two stoppages for seven minutes when the score was 96 for four off 25 overs and an over later for 15 minutes when the Indians had added just one.

Rose had claimed Mohammad Azharuddin for three and Rahul Dravid for 17 in the space of his first four overs before the showers. He added Ajay Jadeja who made 19 in his last over, but not before the batsman along with Nayan Mongia shared 33 for the fifth wicket.

Singh was caught at slip for two off Bishop returning for a second spell at the southern end when rain made the players seek refuge for a third time.

On resumption, Ambrose took two of the last four wickets to claim his sixth four-wicket haul in 142 limited overs matches when he bowled both

Joshi (8) and Mongia (29) in the 47th over.

Five overs earlier, Kumble had departed for 14 caught at point off left-arm spin bowler Jimmy Adams, whose direct hit at the striker's end from point brought the innings to a conclusion when Prasad was run out.

SCOREBOARD Scorecard of the first limited overs international between India and West Indies on Saturday

INDIA Batting: Tendulkar c Browne b Ambrose 44, Sidhu lbw b Ambrose 5, Dravid c Hooper b Rose 17, Azharuddin b Rose 3, Jadeja c Browne b Rose 19, Mongia b Ambrose 29, Singh c Williams b Bishop 4, Kumble c Hooper b Adams 14, Joshi b Ambrose 8, Kuruvilla not out 3, Prasad run out 5

WEST INDIES Batting: Williams c Prasad b Kumble 14, Chanderpaul c Kuruvilla 83, B Prasad 18, Lara not out 25, Hooper not out 9, Extras: (b-8, lb-1, w-8, nb-1) 18

Bowling: Ambrose 9.3 0 36 4, Bishop 7 0 38 1, Walsh 8 0 34 0, Rose 10 2 25 3, Hooper 10 1 33 0, Adams 4 1 8 1

Bowling: Prasad 7 1 35 1, Kuruvilla 4.5 0 27 0, Kumble 4 0 23 1, Singh 5 0 25 0, Joshi 4 0 19 0, Tendulkar 3 0 11 0

Result: West Indies won by eight wickets after being set a revised target of 146 off 33 overs.

Man-of-the-match: Shivnarine Chanderpaul. Second one-day international: Port-of-Spain, April 27.



Stars of yester-year enjoying a gettogether at a reception hosted by the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) for the ICC Trophy champions Bangladesh team members.

Sports WHIZZ KID COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Sports WHIZZ KID competition-68

Tick the Correct Answers Competition closes 8 pm, May 2, '97

- 1 Who won this year's British Open squash title? Jansher Nicol Eyles
- 2 Who won the Lipton Championship tennis title? Hingis Seles Novotna
- 3 Who lifted the international water polo trophy? Army Sri Lanka Navy
- 4 Who clinched the national women's chess crown? Nipa Rani Eva
- 5 Which team won the Top Five volleyball title? BDR Army Air Force

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

Moroccans stay on track

LOME, Apr 27: Morocco took a decisive step towards reaching the World Cup finals a fourth time by winning 1-0 in Sierra Leone on Saturday night, reports AFP.

Salanheidine Bassir, who plays in Saudi Arabia, snatched the only goal after 40 minutes against rivals who finished with 10 men when goalkeeper Brima Camara was sent off.

Camara was shown the red card with 15 minutes left and his departure wrecked any hope the Leone stars had of avenging a four-goal hiding in Casablanca five months ago.

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Cambodians' double delight

PHNOM PENH, Apr 27: Cambodia and Indonesia drew 1-1 Sunday as the Cambodians scored their first goal ever in World Cup soccer qualifying play, bringing a crowd of 10,000 to its feet, reports AP.

Dhanraj dies

HYDERABAD, Apr 27: KP Dhanraj, former Olympian and ace football player during the late 1940s, died of a heart attack here last evening. He was 69, reports PTI.

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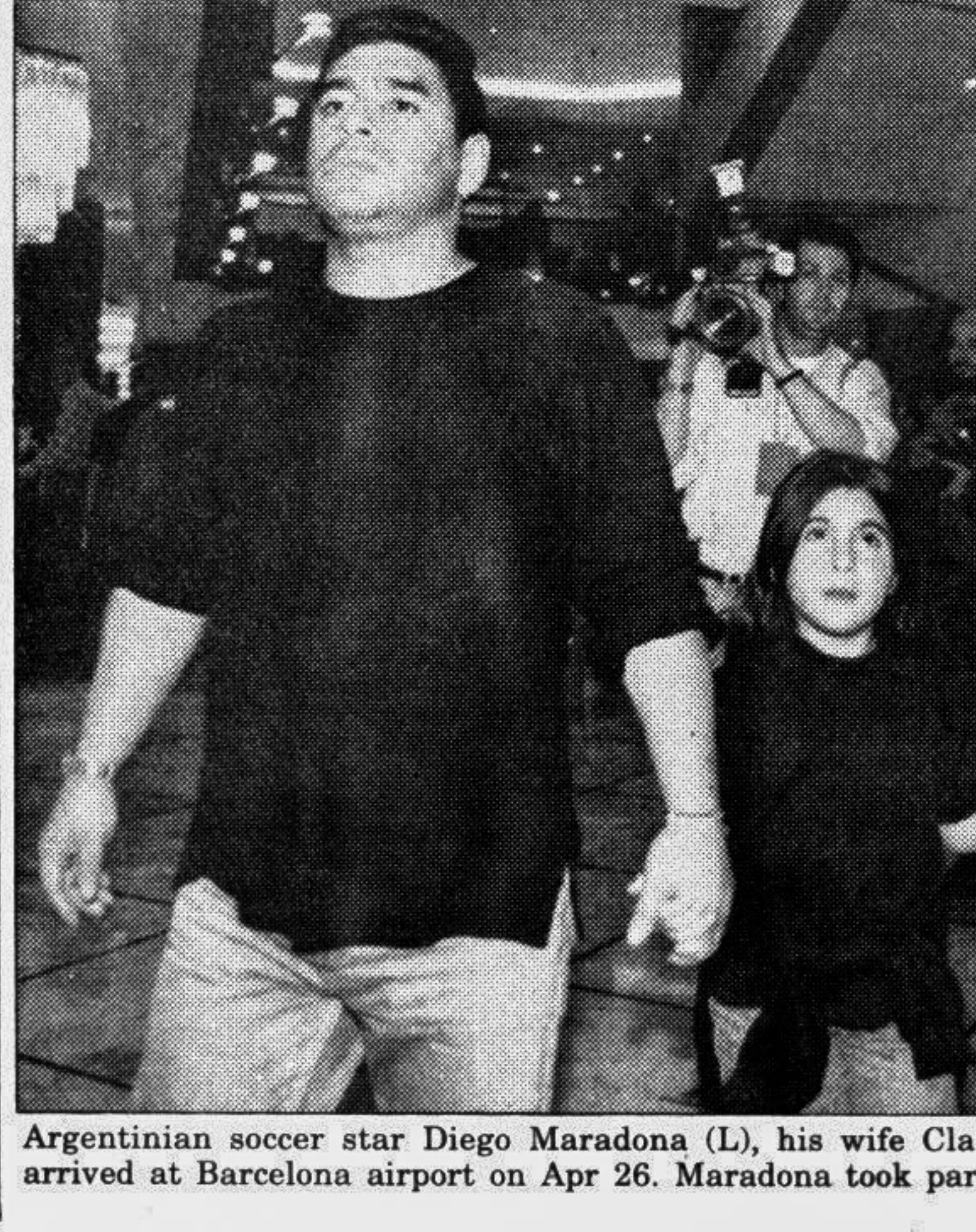
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Argentinian soccer star Diego Maradona (L), his wife Claudia and one of his daughters arrived at Barcelona airport on Apr 26. Maradona took part in a benefit match yesterday.



Naoko wins again

JAKARTA, Apr 27: Japan's Naoko Sawamatsu took the title here today after defeating compatriot Yuka Yoshida in the final of the 107,500 dollars Corel WTA tournament, reports AFP.

Kuwait atop the table

SINGAPORE, Apr 27: Asian Cup semifinalists and Gulf Cup winners Kuwait moved to the top of Asia's World Cup qualifying Group Seven with an unconvincing 1-0 win over Singapore, reports AFP.

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It took Kuwait 30 minutes to score the only goal of the game, Bader Haji's left wing cross deflected past a helpless Mohd Reza Hassan in the Singapore goal by defender Aide Iskander Sahak as he and Hani Al Saqer tussled on the six-yard line.

Singapore's defence was occasionally tormented by the pace and power of the Gulf Cup champions and they did well to contain the Kuwaitis towards the end of the first half.

Johnson turns heat up

But Kuwait, although not the most entertaining of Asian sides, rarely showed the qualities they displayed in the United Arab Emirates-based Asian Cup at the end of last year.

Abdullah Wahbran Seehan came closest to opening the scoring as early as the fifth minute but his lob of Essam Sakeen's cross ended up

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Guse and Radford had trailed 4-5 in the third set before finally winning the last three games.

Singapore pressed for the equaliser as time ran out, but a lack of composure in the front-line meant they rarely troubled goal keeper Al Majidi despite a

Last week he clocked 43.75 sec in his first 400m race of the year at a meeting in Waco, Texas.

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Tender No 57 (1996-97) Scaled tenders in Bangladesh Form No 2911 are hereby invited from enlisted contractors of PWD as per their eligibility and financial limit for execution of the undermentioned work with own cost of materials and will be received by the undersigned as well as by the Divisional Commissioner, Dhaka Division, Dhaka and all the Executive Engineers under Dhaka PWD Circle-IV, Dhaka and Eden Bldg PWD Division, Dhaka up to 12-00 Noon on 13-5-97 and will be opened on the same day at 12-30 PM in presence of the contractors who may like to remain present. Each tender shall be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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