Rafique

honoured

Sports Reporter

hosted a reception in honour of

ICC Trophy star Mohammad

by national team coach Gordon

Greenidge and manager Gazi

landed by adoring fans on his

arrival at the ceremony, held at

Kalindi Cricket Club ground in

Keraniganj. A number of the

elite of the locality were pre-

Atherton

tunes up

captain Mike Atherton showed

glimpses of returning to form

for Lancashire in the English

county championship on

Thursday, barely a week before

the opening one-day interna-

tional against Australia, re-

had scored just 96 runs in eight

innings, hit 48 not out as Lan-

cashire staged a second innings

fightback against Notting-

for one, five runs behind, with

John Crawley on 64 not out, fol-

lowing his unbeaten 51 in the

the first of three one-dayers at

and Richard Harden 103 to set a

seventh wicket record stand of

279 for Somerset against Sus-

Headingley next Thursday.

England meet the tourists in

Graham Rose hammered 191

Somerset were in deep trou-

ble at 67 for six in reply to the

visitors' 241 before Rose and

Harden carried the side to 409

all out. Sussex were six for no

wicket in their second innings

struck his second career cen-

tury to help Leicestershire re-

cover from a poor start against

champions in trouble at 157 for

seven in reply to Hampshire's

not out and Leicestershire were

spinner Robert Croft finished

with five for 33 as Kent slipped

two. Kent lost their last eight wickets for 87, giving Glamor-

gan a lead of 125 before rain

Warwickshire need another

172 runs with seven wickets in

hand to beat Yorkshire on a

Warwickshire face an in-

form Darren Gough who picked

up two second innings wickets,

to follow his four-wicket haul

in the first innings, to leave

shire grabbed a first innings

lead of 256 over Surrey at the

Oval, and then had Surrey in

trouble at 59 for three in their

Australian Dean Jones hit

53 as Derbyshire made 178 to

take a 32-run first innings lead

against Middlesex at Lord's.

Middlesex were 108 for three at

one run of a first innings lead at

Chelmsford, progressing to 236

Romanian soccer

club fined

mania's soccer federation on

Thursday fined Dinamo

Bucharest 1,400 dollars and or-

dered the club to pay damages

estimated at 20,000 dollars af-

ter their fans set fire to a stand

in a Bucharest Stadium at the

Dinamo must also play two

matches behind closed doors af-

ter their fans destroyed some

700 seats before Saturday's

match against arch-rivals

public order offences could face

jail sentences of up to 10 years.

teenagers remain in custody

and 1,000 others have been

fined between 3 dollars and 17

dollars in a country where the average monthly wage is less

Soccer violence has wors-

Last month First Division

ened considerably in Romania

in the seven years since the end

Universitiata Craiova were

banned for four matches after

their fans smashed car wind-

screens following a home de-

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correct answers

1. Who was adjudged man-of-

the-final in the 6th ICC Tro-

2. Who scored two half-cen-

turies for Bangladesh in the 6th

3. Who was the man-of-the-

match in the second semifinal

4. How many centuries has

Sanath Jayasuriya scored in

5. How old was Denis Compton

of the 6th ICC tournament?

of communist rule.

Ans: Tikolo

ICC Trophy? Ans: Bulbul

Ans. Pilot

Ans. Two

Ans. 78

Test cricket?

when he died?

Fans found guilty of arson or

Fifty-nine fans most of them

A federation statement said

weekend, reports Reuter.

Steaua Bucharest.

than 80.

BUCHAREST, May 16: Ro-

for five in reply to Essex's 237.

Durham moved to within

second innings.

the close.

Early leaders Gloucester-

Warwickshire at 76 for three.

tricky pitch at Edgbaston."

Starting the day at 67 for

to 154 all out at Canterbury.

stopped play at lunch.

Hampshire at Southampton.

first innings total of 285.

Number nine David Millns

Millns arrived with the

At the close, Millns was 101

England and Glamorgan

Lancashire finished at 133

hamshire at Old Trafford.

The England opener, who

ports Reuter.

first innings.

sex at Taunton.

at the close.

326 for nine.

LONDON, May 16: England

The function was attended

Earlier, Rafique was gar-

Rafique yesterday.

Ashraf Hossain Lipu.

Keraniganj Cricket League

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN Competition-70

Tick the Correct Answers Competition closes 8 pm,

May 30, '97 l How many one-day centuries has Sachin

Tendulkar scored so far? How many one-day matches did Saqlain Mushtaq play to capture his 100th wicket?

Who won the Italian Open ladies' tennis title?

Pierce Sanchez Martinez Who scored the first hattrick in this year's Premier Division hockey league?

Who clinched the national cricket championship title this year?

Chittagong

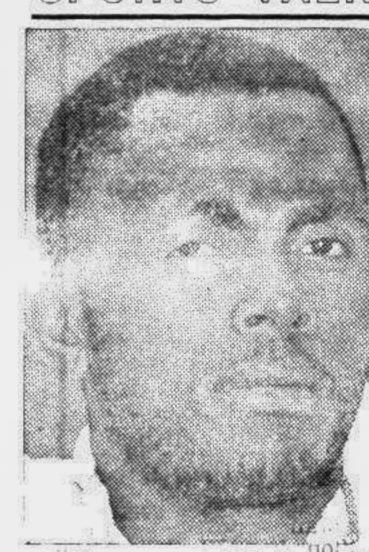
Name

Class Roll No. School Address

Phone: (If any)

ENERGY RELEASING VITAMINS

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Courtney Walsh

(West Indies cricket captain) "When the chips are down and a special effort is required. I have something up my sleeve."

NBL v'ball

Power Development Board (PDB) defeated Sonali Bank by 3-1 sets in the National Bank Premier Division volleyball league to pick their third win yesterday, reports UNB.

The defeat was their fourth in five matches for the bankers who will face holders BDR today. Defending champions BDR won their all four previous engagements.

In the other match at the same venue, Bangladesh Bank trounced Dhaka Sabuj 3-0 to record their second win. The defeat was the straight fifth for Dhaka Sabui.

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Residential Model School, Dhaka.

winner Md Mahmudur Rahman

(Remember to bring your ID card and a passport size photograph while collecting the winner's prize from the Sports Desk of The Daily Star at 7:30 pm on May 21).



Action from yesterday's Green Delta First Division league match between Mohammedan Sporting Club and Farashganj Sporting Club at the National Hockey Stadium. - Star photo Mohammedans won 2-0.

MSC stop F'ganj run

Sports Reporter

Farashganj Spor- have any problem to keep going ting Club's impre- in their previous four encounters, got the taste of some sort of ssive unbeatenresistance yesterday as the run came to an high-flying Farashganj, spearend when holders Mohammedan headed by four unheralded Indians, faced their superior Sporting Club handed them a 0-2 defeat in one of yesterday's counterparts with guts and two Green Delta Insurance First some organised and offensive

> game-plan. Mitul put the winners ahead in the 10th minute through a brilliant solo effort. After receiving a short pass from veteran Zahid Biswas down at the left flank, the dark and dapper defender ran past three Farashganj defenders before pushing the ball home past an advancing custodian Khalil over his

> Forward Siam doubled the margin after 13 minutes. The leading Mohammedan marksman scooped the ball home capitalising on a penalty corner rebounder in the 23rd minute.

have 12 points and played four After the breather, a rejuvenated Farashganj tried their On the other hand, it was the best to return to the game with a series of offensives through have won three and drew one in both the flanks. But nothing paved their way due to the inexfore yesterday. The loss kept the perienced forward and some superb performance by the Mohammedan custodian Mo-Mohammedans, who did not hammad Javed who kept his

MOHAMMEDAN SC: Javed, Nixon, Khokon, Roni, Mitul, Ashique, Zahid Biswas, Yusuf, Siam, Meraj, Shariar, Jamal, Shafique and Jubel.

TEAMS

FARASHGANJ SC: Khalil, Davinder Singh, Parvinder Singh, Tabrej, Waise, Gurupreet Singh, Tajinder Singh, Sohel, Mahbub, Mobarak, Reman, Mizan, Wasim and Wahid. Umpires: Abdur Rajjak and Mir Monwar Ali.

BSC'S FIRST WIN

Earlier in the day's first match, Bangladesh Sporting Club recorded a 3-2 victory over Sadharan Bima Krira Sangstha.

Two Indian recruits Gurdhyan Singh and Iqbal Singh and local Farid scored one goal each for the winners while Murad and Selim reduced the margin for the insurancemen.

It was the first win for Bangladesh Sporting Club in five matches which raised their account to three points. On the other hand, Bima's defeat their third, kept them content to their previous six points.

Opportunity knocks Boro

LONDON, May 16: Middlesbrough have one last chance to end their traumatic

Division hockey league

matches at the National Hockey

Zahirul Islam Mitul and for-

ward Siam-e-Noor struck one

goal apiece in the first half to

guide the black and whites to

their fifth successive win in the

hammedans raised their tally

to maximum 15 points from

five outings and earned a tem-

porary three-point lead atop the

table over Usha Krira Chakra,

Abahani Krira Chakra and

Mariner Young's Club who all

first defeat for Farashganj who

their previous four matches be-

Old Dhaka outfit glued to their

earlier collection of 10 points.

With yesterday's win, Mo-

In a see-saw affair, defender

Stadium.

16-team league.

matches each so far.

season on a glori ous note when they face the glamour boys of Chelsea in Saturday's FA Cup final at Wemblev, reports AFP.

Middlesbrough's young players have been through a rollercoaster of emotions this season which began so promisingly when Italian ace Fabrizio Ravanelli teamed up with the brilliant Brazilians Juninho and

Emerson. But after a bright start very little has gone right for the ambitious side who have been relegated to the First Division and suffered Wembley heartbreak when they lost the league cup

final to Leicester. Now the return to Wembley for their first ever FA Cup final to make a last ditch bid to rescue something from the wreckage of an extraordinary, often controversial, season.

The club are almost certain to lose most of their foreign stars, but a win on Saturday would at least give them a happy send-off as well as book the club's place in next season's

European Cup Winners' Cup. The future of Middlesbrough boss Brayan Robson, who has spent 26 million pounds on new

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INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT TENDER IS INVITED

players, has been the subject of ..

But the former Manchester United and England captain insists he is not planning to leave the club though he concedes he has learnt some harsh lessons. "As far as I am concerned the job hasn't been difficult, it's just

taking relegation that has been," says Robson. "But there's no doubt that for the players, winning on Satur-

day means a great deal despite what has happened. "People talk about the financial rewards but I know what

top players are like and for them football's about winning things. "These players have already lost one cup final but they've got

the chance of picking up a winners' medal now. That's the challenge for our boys on Saturday and we want to see them come up with that medal. The players have been quiet and down but that's what you'd ex-

pect from them.' Robson stresses that Saturday is not simply a battle between the two smallest men on the pitch: his own Juninho against the footballer-of-theyear Gianfranco Zola.

"They are both top players, both of the highest quality, but there are lots of good players on both sides," said Robson, an FA Cup final winner three times

with Manchester United, "We have seen Mark Hughes win cup ties and cup finals with his sheer presence as he did for

Chelsea at Portsmouth in the quarterfinal this year. "On Saturday we've hopefully got Fabrizio Ravanelli who could also make a real dif-

ference.' Robson has plenty of praise for the man who will walk out as his opposite number at Wembley, Chelsea player-boss Ruud

"He's done excellently for them," said Robson. "He had a great playing career but he's come across and settled in well

with British football and taken to his management career as Gullit has been a breath of fresh air in the Premiership since taking over from England coach Gleen Hoddle last sum-

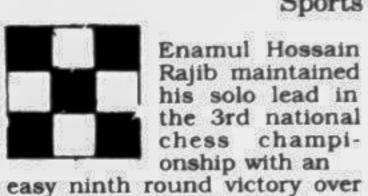
the media and his players. "You have to be very honest with them. If you give them all the same treatment then you get something back, that's what I learned this year. I have got back more because I was like this."

mer with his open approach to

The courage of his convictions, though, has led to a cooling in his friendship with Italian striker Gianluca Vialli, who will almost certainly start on the bench on Saturday.

Scene from yesterday's inaugural Suncrest Cup handball tournament clash between Ansars and Victoria Sporting Club at the handball court adjacent to Dhaka Stadium. - Star photo

Rajib's lead intact Sports Reporter



Biman's Khandker Kayes Hasan at the NSC chess room vesterday. Playing with black pieces,

Rajib adopted an unusual variation of French defence and checkmated Kayes after 48 moves for his seventh win of the meet. The win raised Rajib's tally to seven and a half points and gave in a point lead over Abdullah-Al-Rakib who has 6.5 points to his credit at the end of

ninth round. In Friday's round, Rakib, the former national junior champion, edged past Ali Amjad Mintu. Playing also with black pieces, Rakib adopted Karokahn defence against Mintu and won the board after 42

Rajib and Rakib apart, Tayebur Rahman Sumon, Abu Sufian Shakil, Syed Ruhul Kabir Shiplu and Amir Hossain also won their respective ninth round boards while Din Mohammad Swapan and Saidul Islam Masum agreed to a draw.

In the round, Sumon tamed Saifuddin Lovlu, Shakil beat Sheikh Nasir Ahmed, Shiplu defeated Mohammad Javed while Amir outplayed Arifuzzaman Sikder.

The day's other match between FIDE Master Rezaul Haque and Showkat Hossain

Pallab was going on till our fil-

ing of this report. Standings (after ninth round): 7.5 points - Rajib, 6.5

points - Rakib, 5.5 points -Kayes, Mintu, Sumon, 5 points - Lovlu, Shiplu, Reza (8 matches), 4.5 points - Masum, 3.5 points - Nasir, 3 points -Arif. Pallab (8 matches), 2 points - Amir, 1.5 points -

Javed and 1 point - Swapan. Today's matches: Lovlu vs Arif, Rajib vs Amir, Rakib vs Kayes, Masum vs Mintu, Reza vs Swapan, Javed vs Pallab, Shakil vs Shiplu and Nasir vs

Suncrest h'ball Sports Reporter

Bangladesh Ansars were off to a flying start in the Suncrest Cup handball tournament with a convincing 30-11 win over Victoria Sporting Club in the inaugural match at the court adjacent to Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

The winners led the first half 13-7.

Ansars' Rafique topscored with seven goals while Akram and Rahim added six and four goals respectively. On the other hand, Saidul and Noor netted four and three goals for the

Earlier, State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader inaugurated the nineteam meet.

East Asian Games roundup

PUSAN, South Korea, May 16: China set its fifth world weightlifting record Friday while a Japanese swimmer became a quadruple gold medalist at the second East Asian Games in Pusan, reports AP.

But host South Korea won the day in the gold medal count, grabbing three in judo, plus two each in track and field, soft tennis, wrestling and one more in weightlifting for a total of 10

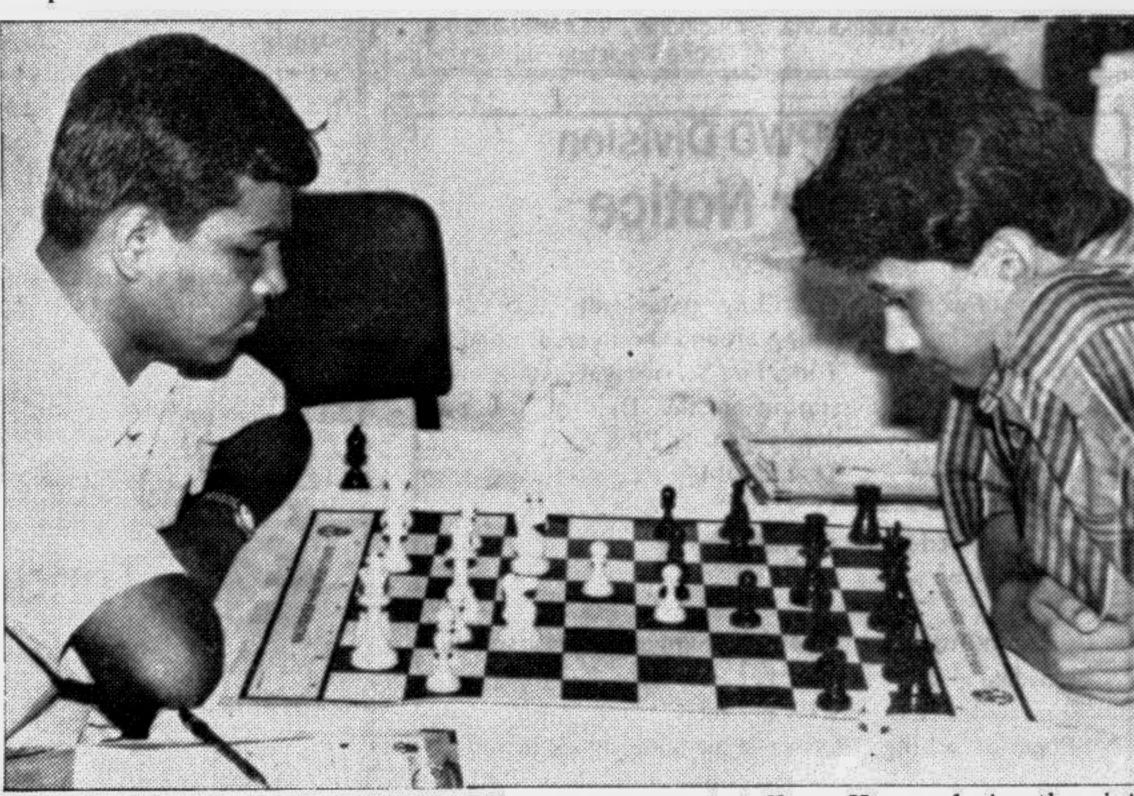
> Japan, which again dominated the pool to win four of the six swimming medals, ended the day with eight golds to China's nine. Kazakhstan won six while Hong Kong won its first medal, grabbing the silver in the women's 100-metre hurdles.

In weightlifting. Song Zhaomei jerked 135.5 kilograms (298.1 pounds) to beat the previous record by a half a kilo in the women's 83-kilogram (183-pound) class. Song's win gave China 12 of the 19 golds at the end of the weightlifting competitions at these games.

The swimming competition also ended Friday, with Japan winning four of the day's six races to take 21 of the 31 swimming golds.

Japan, hoping to break China's usual rule of the pool, had sent its top swimmers while China did not send its best.

Taiwan won its only gold for the day in wushu, with Chan Ming-shu beating out Japan's Toshiya Watanabe in the men's taijiquan.



Enamul Hossain Rajib (R) pondering his next move against Kayes Hasan during the ninth round of the 23rd national chess championship yesterday. Rajib won the board after 48 TOTALTO TORRY TO A TOTAL TOTAL TOTAL - Star photo moves.

Aussies open with a win



ARUNDEL. England, May 16: Fast bowler Jason Gillespie wasted no time in parading his talents to the English public

when he took two wickets in his first three balls as Australia kicked off the Ashes tour with an easy win on Thursday, reports AFP.

Mark Taylor's team brushed aside the Duke of Norfolk's XI by 113 runs in the traditional tour curtain-raiser under the shadow of Arundel Castle with Gillespie taking four for 21. There were no England offi-

cials there to see it but the Duke of Norfolk's XI captain John Emburey said: "I'll be able to fill them in if I get a call. "The Aussies looked pretty good and Gillespie is certainly a

fine bowler. He swings it out and bowls a good line although I think yesterday he was operating at only about 75 per cent Aussie skipper Taylor scored much needed runs at the head of

the order with 45, while both Mark Waugh and Michael Slater, with an unbeaten 50 from 53 balls, looked in early tour form as Australia reached 235 for 5 from their 50 overs. Mike Kasprowicz broke the

back of the Duke of Norfolk's reply taking three wickets in his new ball spell, including a sharp low return catch to dismiss Tim Walton — one of only four current county cricketers in the scratch team led by 44year-old Emburey. But it was 22-year-old Gille-

1 Ballet leap 50 Parisian

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39 Waste no

40 Gibbon

45 Kitchen

49 Challeng-

42 Score

24 Poli-sci

13 Snapshots

5 Coach Par-

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

3 Hart's

American

dessert

6 Carnival

7 Graph

8 Singer

9 Add-on for

5 Down

10 Occu-

11 Proba-

19 Yiddish

spie who caught the eye — and not just for his explosive entry

into the English scene. Tall and rangy, Gillespie generates enough pace to be rated as "genuinely quick" by his teammates.

Shane Warne, who joked he was not playing the traditional tour opener "because of the cold" said "I think that Jason will have a great tour. He has really come on and there is no doubt that he can be very quick in-

"We were looking to win every game in the order so this is not a bad start." Gillespie's first delivery

bowled Andy Flower and his third had Andy Whittall lbw to leave the Duke's side 47 for six. He quickly followed this

double strike by clean bowling-David Ward and his final victim was the injured David Capel, batting with a runner because of a hamstring strain. Emburey, England's assistant coach on last winter's tour,

at least did his best to hamper Australia's progress in the first of our one-day matches which act as preparation for next week's opening one-day international Northamptonshire's player

coach first took two for 25 from his ten overs and then scored 29 in a stubborn 60-run ninth wicket stand with fellow veteran Neil Radford.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard in the one-day tour match between the Duke of Norfolk's XI and Australia on Thursday:

utterance

muscle

table cry

matter?

dessert

Cantor

30 Platonic P

31 Succumb

to gravity

custodian

41 Circle ratio

48 Visualizes

51 Cattle call

36 Start a fire

37 Drenched

38 Church

42 Opposi-

26 Meringue

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r 29 Trendy

21 Chest

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25 Mined-

AUSTRALIA M Waugh c Ward b Whittall M Taylor b Emburey S Waugh st A Flower b G Flower R Ponting b Emburey J Langer c Ward b Radford M Slater not out I Healy not out Extras: (b-8, lb-3, w-5, nb-1) Total: (for five wickets in 50 overs) 235

Fall of wickets: 1-101, 2-107; 3-143; 4-143; 5-190 Did not bat: B Julian, M Kasprowicz, J Gillespie, G Mc-

Bowling: Radford

Foster Whittall Capel 25 2(2w) Emburey 10 G Flower

DUKE OF NORFOLK'S XI G Flower c Langer b Julian

J Hall b Kasprowicz T Curtis c Healy b Kasprowicz A Flower b Gillespie T Walton c and b Kasprowicz D Ward c Healy b Gillespie A Whittall lbw b Gillespie J Emburey c Gillespie b M Waugh 29 D Capel c Langer b Gillespie N Radford not out N Foster c Healy b Julian Extras: (lb-4, w-11, nb-1)

Total: (all out in 34.5 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-19; 2-31; 3-39; 4-43; 5-47; 6-47; 7-51; 8-59; 9-119 Bowling

McGrath Kasprowicz Julian Gillespie M Waugh

Result: Australia won by 113

CRYPTOQUIP

YGU Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE ACUPUNCTURIST ACUTELY NOTES THAT ALL HE EARNS IS SIMPLY

PIN MONEY. Today's Cryptoquip clue: Y 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.

D-602 Ansars won 30-11.