

Column One

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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN Competition-72

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Competition closes 8 pm, June 27, '97

- How many countries will participate in the sixth Asia Cup cricket?
 

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- The number of associate members in the International Cricket Council are
 

21	26	23
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- Who has scored a double hat-trick in the Green Delta First Division hockey league?
 

Sadek	Kamal	Siam
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- The Bangladesh vice-captain in the 6th Asia Cup is
 

Minhajul	Aminul	Saiful
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- The new French Open champion is
 

Bruguera	Kuerten	Chang
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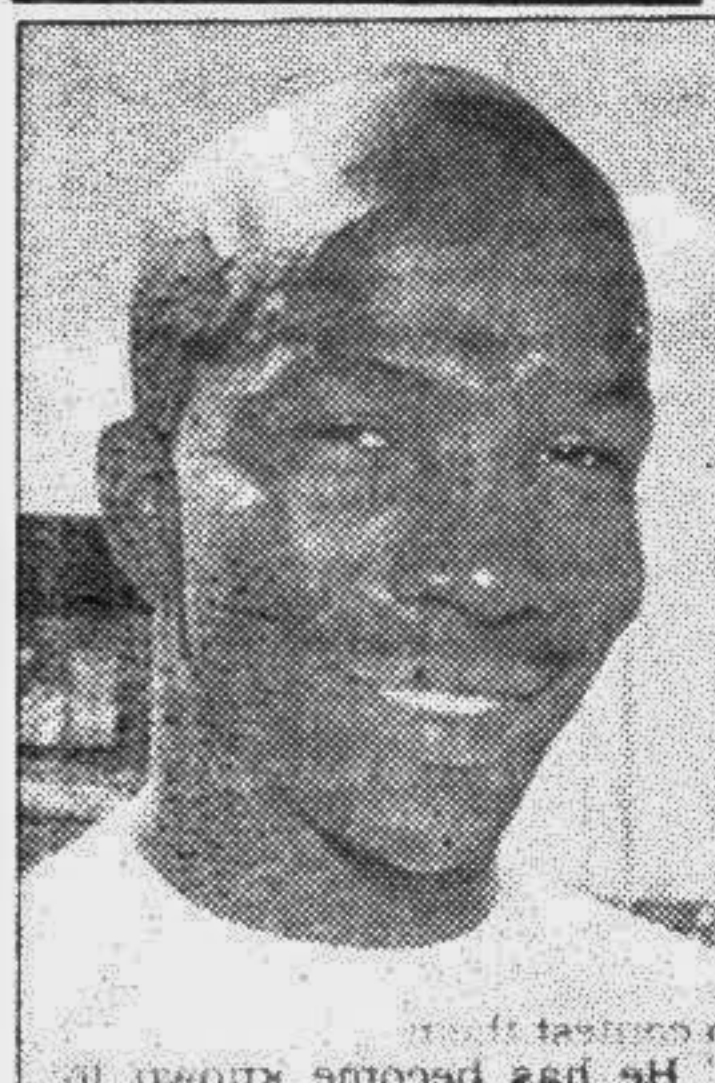
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SPORTS TALK



Donovan Bailey (100 m Olympic gold medalist)

"He's afraid to lose. We should run this race again so I can kick his rear one more time."

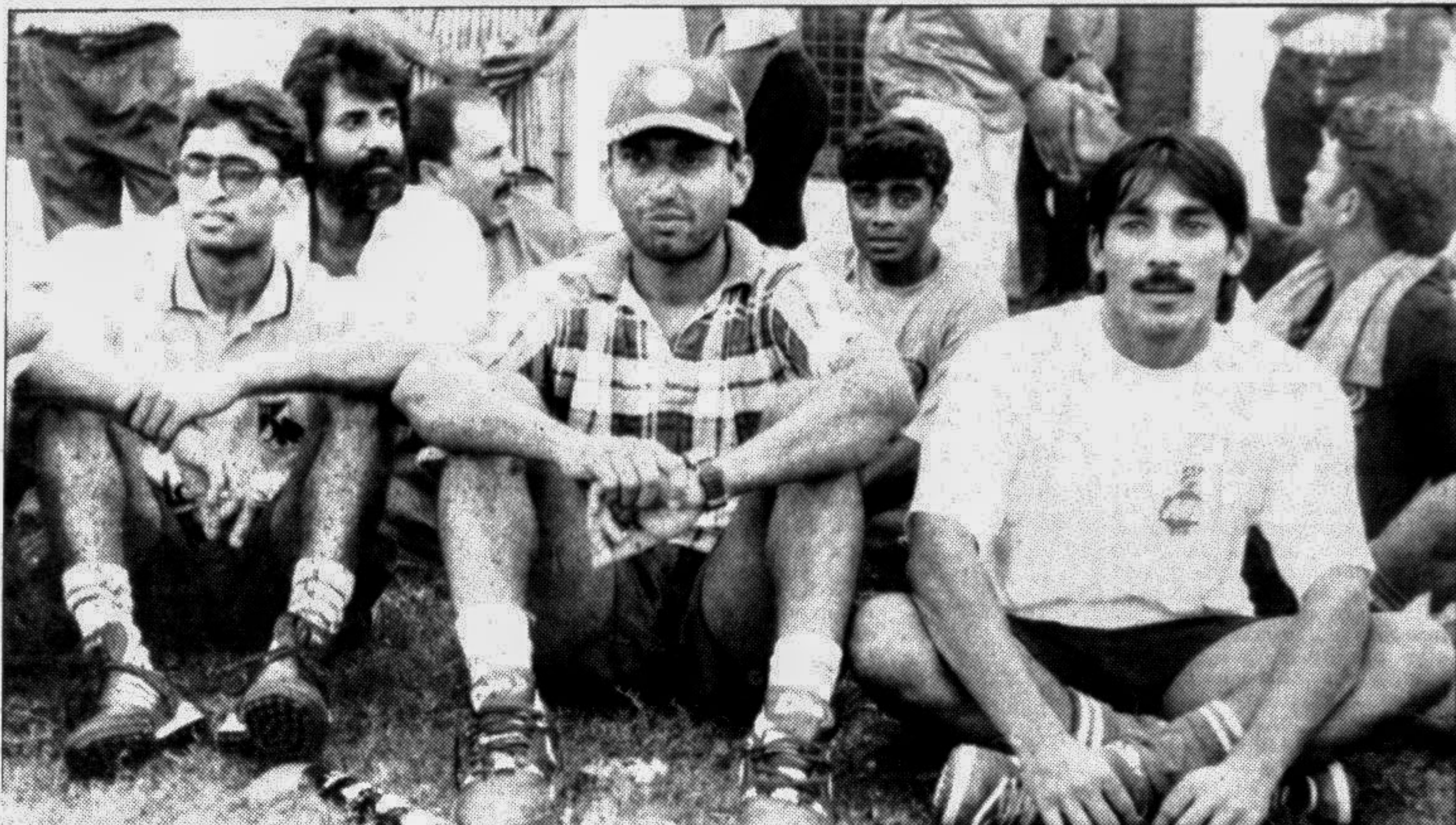
About Michael Johnson after he (Johnson) had pulled up at 80 or 90 metres in the 150-metre race for the title of world's fastest man in Toronto.

Johnson to run at Paris GP

NOULDER, Colorado, June 24: Double Olympic champion Michael Johnson has recovered from a leg injury and will make his return to competition at the Paris Grand Prix meeting on Wednesday, his agent said Monday, reports Reuter.

"Michael has flown to Paris and will run a 400 metres on Wednesday," Brad Hunt, said in a telephone interview.

It will be Johnson's first competition since the Olympic 200 and 400 metre champion injured himself during a 150 metre showdown with world and Olympic 100-metre champion Donovan Bailey in Toronto on June 1.



Tahir Zaman (C) and Kamran Ashraf, the two Pakistan international hockey players who arrived in the city yesterday to play for Mohammedan SC, enjoying Tuesday's important Green Delta First Division league match between Abahani and Usha KC alongwith their illustrious compatriot Shahbaz Ahmed (L).

AKC's hopes laid to rest

Favourites Abahani Kirra Chakra were virtually thrown out of the race when fellow title-contenders Usha Kirra Chakra held the popular Dhanmondi outfit to a 2-2 draw in a crucial Green Delta Insurance First Division hockey league match at the National Hockey Stadium yesterday.

Smarting under their stunning 2-3 defeat at the hands of Sadharan Bima, Abahani went into the match with the only option for a win to stay in the race. But the efforts of their hyper-active officials, who fielded four Indian stalwarts, went down the drain when centre-forward Alamgir Alam missed a couple of sitters, which effectively evaporated the chances of a well-deserved victory.

The disappointing draw now left Abahani with 34 points from 13 matches, two points adrift of holders and their arch-rival Mohammedan Sporting Club who played one match less, and three short from Usha.

"It's all over for us," said Abahani captain Mamunur Rashid after the match. The central defender in an emotion-choked voice added: "This is a game of goals. We enjoyed a territorial dominance and got a handful of chances. But then you know... it's perhaps not our day."

2 Pakistanis for MSC

Two Pakistan international hockey players Tahir Zaman and Kamran Ashraf arrived in the city to beef up holders Mohammedan Sporting Club in the ongoing Green Delta First Division league.

Zaman 28, who earlier inspired the black and whites to the league championship in 1993-94, has played around 205 matches for his country and scored 145 goals. The Faisalabad-based inside right is presently vice-captain of the national team.

Kamran 25, the medium-built centre forward from Karachi, has made 90 international appearances and has scored 96 goals including eight in the 1994 World Cup in Australia.

This is Kamran's second trip. He last played in the International Invitational Club Cup tournament here in January for Pakistan International Airlines.

Both the superstars completed their registration formalities last evening and are expected to lineup against Mariner Youngs Club this afternoon.

Dalmiya's vote of confidence CALCUTTA, June 24: India's cricket chief predicted here today that the country's cricketers would be cleared of "heinous" charges of betting and match-fixing, reports AFP.

Jagmohan Dalmiya, secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), said he did not believe allegations made by former Indian star Manoj Prabhakar.

"I don't believe it at all. No Indian, cricketer or otherwise, will commit such a heinous crime," he said.

Former all-rounder Prabhakar alleged in a magazine article that he was offered 72,000 dollars by an unnamed teammate to ensure India lost to Pakistan in a limited-overs tournament in Sri Lanka in 1994.

Dalmiya, the new head of the International Cricket Council (ICC), the world governing body, said the inquiry, being carried out by a former chief justice, would be completed within three months.

He added it would also examine allegations that former team manager Ajit Wadekar tapped the phones of his own players to see if they had contacts with bookies.

India's selectors, meanwhile, meet here on June 28 to select a preliminary squad for the tour of Sri Lanka which starts next month.

Off-spinner Rajesh Chauhan, barred from the team because of a suspect bowling action, will now be available for selection, Dalmiya said after the bowler's action was studied by former Test stars Kapil Dev and Sunil Gavaskar.

Copa braces for semis

SANTA CRUZ, Bolivia, June 24: Experienced Peru, who have already caused two major surprises in the Copa America tournament, will need to lift their game to new heights against world champions Brazil if they are to continue their remarkable run, reports Reuter.

The Peruvians started in the colonial city of Sucre at 2,700 metres altitude, played their second game in La Paz at 3,600 metres and then returned to Sucre for two more games.

On Thursday, they appear in sub-tropical Santa Cruz, which lies at the heart of the eastern plains at near sea level.

Brazil remain favourites to win the title and their opponents in the final are still expected to be hosts Bolivia who have shown formidable form in the high altitude Hernando Siles Stadium in La Paz.

They have been helped by a fixture list which has given their opponents only a couple of days to adapt to the tough conditions.

Bolivia's opponents in Wednesday's first semifinal are Mexico, who are aiming to reach the final for the second time in just three attempts.

Mexico striker Luis Hernandez, top scorer in the tournament with five goals, is Bolivia's biggest worry.

After injury and suspensions, Bolivia were finally able to field their real midfield of Julio Cesar Baldivieso, Marco Etcheverry, Erwin Sanchez and Ramiro Castillo for the first time in nearly a year in Saturday's quarter-final win over Colombia.

But the team lacks a natural goal scorer. The venue for Sunday's final depends on the result of Wednesday's match.

If the hosts win, their final opponents will be forced to face the altitude of La Paz. If Mexico win, they will play Brazil or Peru in Santa Cruz.

Railway romp

Meanwhile, in the other match of the day, Bangladesh Railway recorded a thumping 5-0 win over Police Athletic Club. The winners led the first half by a lone goal.

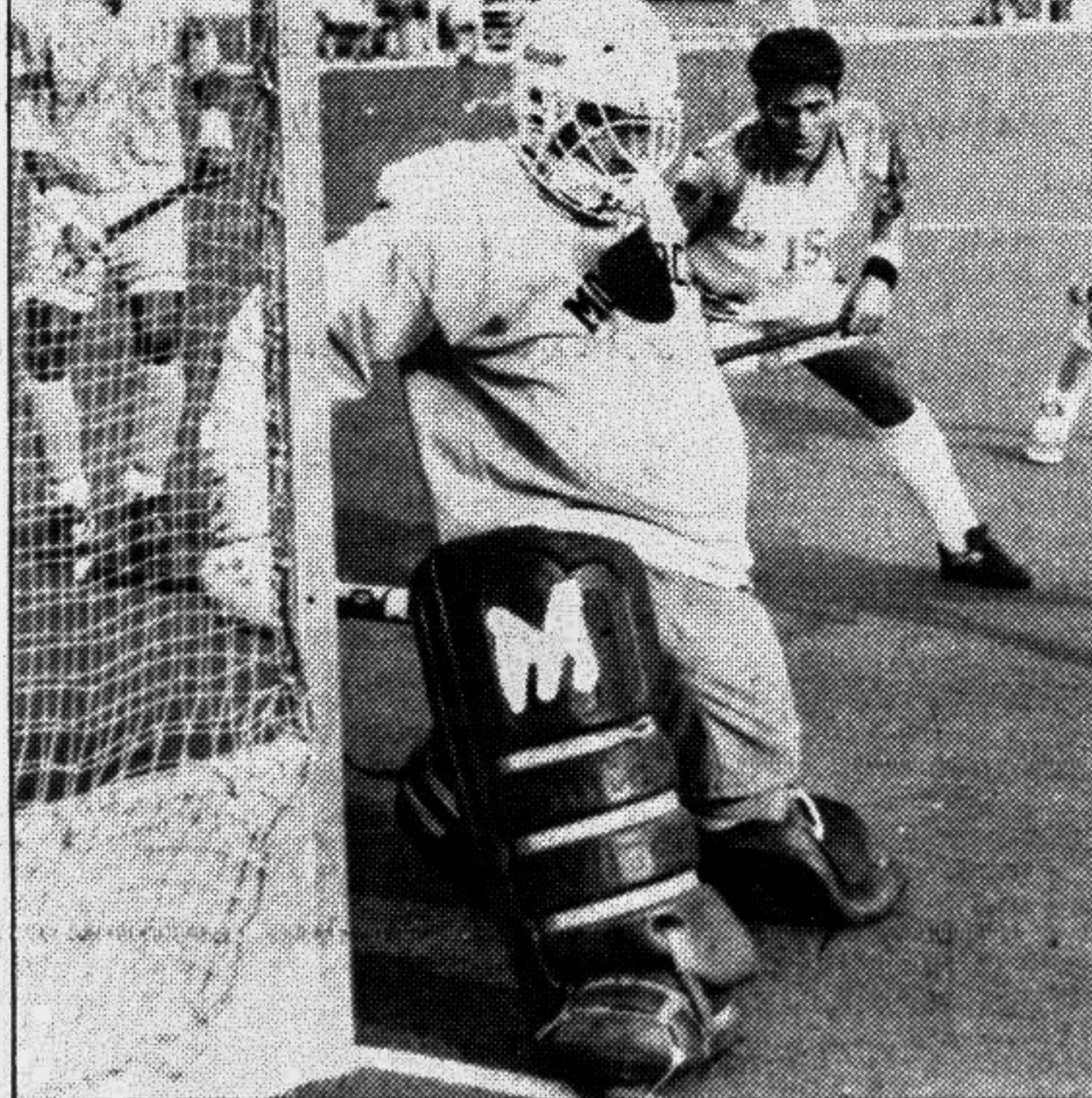
Rajbinder Singh struck twice while Ripon, Kabir and Mamun shared the other three goals for Railway.

Samson's feat

CHAIYAPHUM, Thailand, June 24: Samson Dutchboygym knocked out Hugo Soto of Argentina in the sixth round here today to equal the win record of Thailand's most successful boxer, reports AFP.

Samson retained his World Boxing Federation (WBF) junior bantamweight title for the 19th time, matching the number of consecutive title defences by former World Boxing Association (WBA) junior bantamweight champion Khaosal Galaxy.

The 25-year-old southpaw was always stronger and rained down blows to the body and face of Soto.



Action from yesterday's Green Delta First Division hockey league clash between Abahani and Usha KC at the National Hockey Stadium. The match ended in a 2-2 draw.

Tension grips Arnos Vale



ARNOS VALE, St Vincent, June 24: Brian Lara returned to form with his 10th Test century for West Indies on Monday

Lara stroked 115 in West Indies' second innings total of 343 on the fourth day of the second and last Test, leaving Sri Lanka 269 to win.

The touring team were 97 for two at the close, needing 172 more on Tuesday's final day to square the series. West Indies won the first Test in Antigua by six wickets.

Aravinda de Silva was leading Sri Lanka's victory bid with a belligerent, unbeaten 34, containing seven fours, off just 28 balls.

Opener Sanath Jayasuriya (17) and Marvan Atapattu (10) were the two batsmen to fall, both bowled by West Indies' captain Courtney Walsh.

Lara, having made 0, 4 and 1 in his three previous innings in the series, played the dominant role when West Indies resumed

side fours in the final over before lunch. However, Muralitharan and his off-spinning partner Kumar Dharmasena triggered a middle-order collapse in which four wickets fell for 46 runs.

Dharmasena got the prized wicket of Lara, who whipped a delivery from middle stump straight into the hands of Jayasuriya at short mid-wicket.

Ian Bishop and wicket-keeper Courtney Browne followed closely without scoring, both leg before to Muralitharan. Bishop played back to an off-break and Browne padded out and collected his third duck in successive innings.

At 286 for seven, the West Indies were ahead by just 211. But Curtly Ambrose joined Roland Holder and dominated a sensible stand of 53 for the eighth wicket.

The lanky Antiguan fast bowler hit a breezy 31 off 50 deliveries with three fours and a six. He eventually edged a catch to the wicket-keeper as Sanjeewa de Silva came back with the second new ball.

Muralitharan soon ended the innings with the wickets of Holder and Courtney Walsh, finishing with five for 113.

Holder shuffled too far back and was hit wicket while Walsh swung wildly and was bowled. Muralitharan's second five-wicket haul in the series punched his tally to 16 wickets in the two Tests.

Holder contributed a vital 34 in two hours and 23 minutes in the middle.

Walsh failed to score for the 25th time in his 93rd Test, surpassing New Zealander Danny Morrison for the dubious world record for most ducks in a career.

Walsh hit back when Sri Lanka started their pursuit of victory, taking the first two wickets with just 55 on the board.

The dashing left-hander Sanath Jayasuriya, top-scorer in the first innings with 90, hit three fours off Walsh in his 17. But he was bowled playing across the line in Walsh's second over.

Marvan Atapattu never looked comfortable and Walsh returned for a second spell from the opposite end to breach his defence and have him bowled for 10.

But the arrival of Aravinda de Silva brought an aggressive re-orientation. The diminutive 31-year-old quickly made his intentions clear.

He took seven balls to get off the mark, but launched a dazzling counter-attack in the last few overs of the day.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the fourth day of the second Test between West Indies and Sri Lanka at Arnos Vale on Monday:

**WEST INDIES:** First innings 147 (C Hooper 81; Pushpakumara 5-41)

**SRI LANKA:** First innings 222 (S Jayasuriya; C Hooper 5-26)

**WEST INDIES:** Second innings (overnight 128-2) Campbell b Pushpakumara Williams c Jayasuriya b Muralitharan Lara c Jayasuriya b Dharmasena Reifer c Kaluwatharana b Pushpakumara Hooper c Kaluwatharana b Dharmasena Holder hit wicket b Muralitharan Bishop lbw Muralitharan Browne lbw Muralitharan Ambrose c Kaluwatharana b Sanjeewa Rose not out Walsh b Muralitharan Extras: (b-4, lb-21, nb-7) total: 343

**Fall of wickets:** 1-62; 2-92; 3-143; 4-240; 5-272; 6-272; 7-286; 8-339; 9-343.

**LARA ... 115**

Bowling:	O	M	R	W
Sanjeewa	17	1	62	1
Pushpakumara	19	2	81	2
Muralitharan	41	13	113	5
Dharmasena	25	4	62	2

**SRI LANKA:** Second innings Jayasuriya b Walsh Mahanama not out Atapattu b Walsh De Silva not out Extras: (nb-10) total (for 2 wickets) 97

**Fall of wickets:** 1-26; 2-55

Bowling (to date):	O	M	R	W
Ambrose	6	0	21	0
Walsh	7	0	27	2
Rose	3	0	13	0
Bishop	3	0	32	0
Hooper	1	0	4	0

Rain, England hold Aussies

LONDON, June 24: Two Tests have gone by and the concerns of the winless Australian captain Mark Taylor rest with his team's batting, report agencies.

Already one Test down and the second ending a draw, Australia need to win at least three Tests in this six-match series to feel secure and keep the Ashes which they have so successfully defended since Allan Border's men won them in 1989.

But, with the exception of Matthew Elliott's dashing maiden Test century at Lord's, Australia's batting appears brittle, particularly in the middle order.

Australia's collapse on the first day of the opening Test ultimately led to an England victory, while at Lord's the visitors lost three middle-order wickets without adding a run before Elliott halted the rot.

Taylor did not hesitate to point the finger at Mark and Steve Waugh and Michael Bevan, saying that the No. 4, 5 and 6 haven't come good in the Test series.

In Australia's three Tests so far, the contributions from the three batting spots add up to a meagre 120 runs.

"Those three spots are a concern, and that's probably our only area we have to keep working on and it will depend again on another nature in these next two county games," Taylor said.

Australia take on British Universities in a three-day encounter at Oxford starting Wednesday and then play Hampshire before the third Test at Old Trafford, on July 3.

The matches will be vital as Australia try to rediscover the winning formula that has seen them win their previous six series against England, South Africa, West Indies (twice), Sri Lanka and Pakistan.

Clearly the Australians are in uncharted territory. Not since Taylor's debut as captain — when Australia lost 1-0 to Pakistan in 1994-95 — have they played two Tests in a series without a win.

But Taylor, who himself had a disastrous form slump before knocking a century at Edgbaston, isn't panicking yet.

"At the moment I'm not feeling under pressure," said Taylor. "If we are 1-0 down with one to play the pressure will be on."

SCOREBOARD

Scorecard on the final day of the second Test between England and Australia at Board's on Monday:

**ENGLAND:** Second innings Butcher b Warne Atherton hit wicket b Kasprovic Stewart c Kasprovic b McGrath Hussain c and b Warne Thorpe not out Crawley not out Extras: (b-8, lb-14, w-1, nb-7) total for 4 wickets declared 266

**Fall of wickets:** 1-162; 2-189; 3-197; 4-202. Did not bat: M. Ealham, R. Croft, D. Gough, A. Caddick, D. Malcolm.

Bowling:	O	M	R	W
McGrath	20	5	55	1
Reiffel	13	5	29	0
Kasprovic	15	3	54	1
Warne	19	4	47	2
Bevan	8	1	29	0
S.Waugh	4	0	20	0

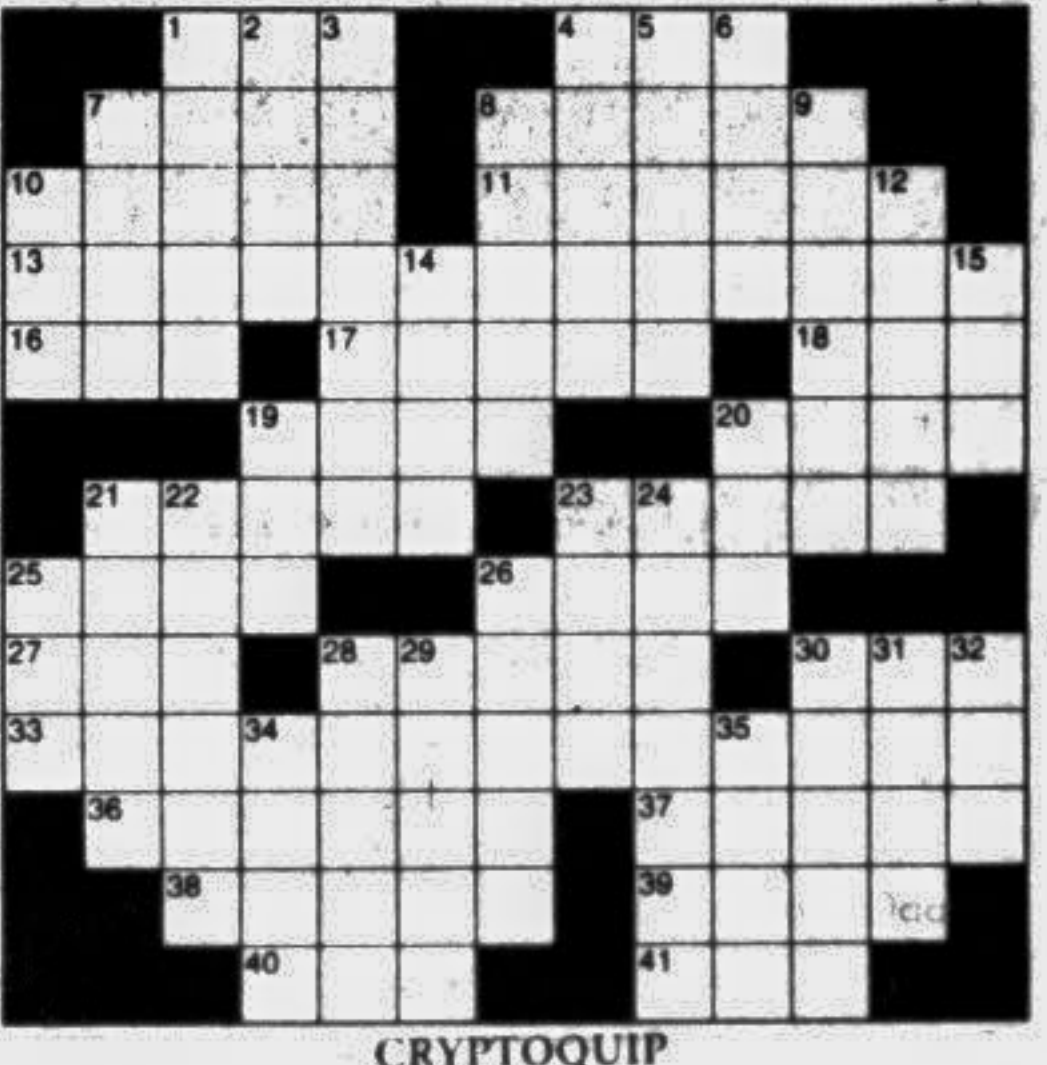
Memory pains Ravanelli

ROME, June 24: Fabrizio Ravanelli has said he wants a friendly between Liverpool and Juventus in memory of the victims of the Heysel Stadium disaster if he completes a widely-expected move to the Merseyside club, reports Reuter.

Ravanelli, who won the European Cup with Juve in 1996 before moving to Middlesbrough a year ago, is reportedly set to join Liverpool for around 12 million dollars.

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

- ACROSS**
- Novelist
  - Conroy
  - Carpenter
  - Woody's son
  - Staffers
  - Friend-ship takers
  - More food
  - Tin Man's prop
  - Give a leg up
  - Apprehend
  - Honey bunch
  - 20 Identifies: collog.
  - Former lilies
  - Butcher's wares
  - Festive
  - 25 Easter symbol
  - 27 Essen expelive
  - 28 The final frontier
  - 30 Tranquility, e.g.
  - 33 Time over Tokyo
- DOWN**
- 36 Baltimore athlete
  - 37 Tailless amphibians
  - 38 Photo-copier
  - 39 Pound of poetry
  - 40 Cobb et al.
  - 41 Billy Williams
  - Datum for Bob Barker
  - 2 Saxophone range
  - 9 Small harpsichord
  - 10 Simile
  - 12 Hester
  - 14 Serves the purpose
  - 15 "Pyg malion"
  - 5 Grownup monogram
  - 6 Office part-timer
  - 7 NYSE counter-part
  - 8 Friend of D'Artagnan
  - 9 Small harpsichord
  - 10 Simile
  - 12 Hester
  - 24 In office
  - 25 Roscoe
  - 26 Sci-fi weapon
  - 28 Obdurate
  - 29 Ernie and Gomer
  - 30 Trap
  - 31 Snort's stories
  - 32 Dunder-head
  - 34 Laugh-a-minute
  - 35 Seep slowly



**CRYPTOQUIP**

U N C W K W J X C Y Q K G Z

W R R G F M N C G M K P Z J Y P  
A U Y R N W Q W J U N D  
A P F X N P D N U Z I

Yesterday's Cryptiquip: SIGN IN FAMED BEAUTY PARLOR: OUR DYE GETS TO THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM.

Today's Cryptiquip clue: Z equals C

The Cryptiquip 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.

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**Notice Inviting Tender**  
No EE, B'baria- 128 of 1996-97

- Sealed tenders in BD Form No 2911 are hereby invited from the approved Special Class-I (One), Class-I (One) Building Contractors of PWD, Class-II (Two) Building Contractors of PWD Zone, Chittagong for the undermentioned work and will be received by the Divisional Commissioner, Chittagong Division, Chittagong and undersigned as well as by the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Comilla/Chandpur/Feni/Noakhali/Lakshimpur in their respective offices up to 1.00 PM on 2.7.97 and will be opened on the same day at 1.15 PM in presence of the tenderers who may like to remain present. Each tender shall be in a sealed cover with the name of work superscribed on it.
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- Name of work : Conversion of Govt Shishu Sadan into Shishu Paribar 54 in 2nd phase one at B'baria (Sub-head: Construction of Boundary wall around the land of Sarkari Shishu Paribar during the year 1996-97).
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