#### **Aamir Sohail**

(Pakistani opening batsman) "It has to be Courtney Walsh the West Indian fast bowler and captain of the team. Curtly Ambrose is another fine bowler I have faced. But the beauty with Walsh was he had the knock to come back at you. You would hit him for five 4s in an over but he would come back with something extra with the sixth ball. A highly competitive bowler who had enough tricks up his sleeve to break the top batsmen's rhythm. A bowler of top quality.

About the fast bowler whom he admires most.



Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes at 8 pm, August 22, '97 The current New Zealand cricket captain is Germon Thompson

Brazilian star Ronaldo's new Italian club is AC Milan Inter Milan Juventus Who scored the golden goal for Abahani against Mohammedan in this year's Federation Cup semifinal? Zakir Mizan

Who is the coach of Kenyan national cricket team? Wadekar Amarnath

The 100 metres world record holder is Bailey Fredericks Greene

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#### Mineiro become champions

BELO HORIZONTE, Brazil, Aug 10: Valdir knocked in a deflected pass with 10 minutes left to give Atletico Mineiro a 2-1 victory over arch-rivals Cruzeiro in the final of the Centenary Cup on Saturday, reports AP.

The tournament in honour of this city's 100th birthday turned into a hometown affair after favoured rivals, including Italy's AC Milan and 30-time Portuguese league champions Benfica, were eliminated.

Atletico, playing without all-star goalkeeper Claudio Taffarel who is with the national team on an Asian tour, dominated the first half and allowed Cruzeiro just three shots on net. Atletico got on the board in

first-half injury time when Jorginho took a rebound and rolled it to midfielder Leandro on the left post for the tap-in.

In the second half, Cruzeiro came out strong and trapped Atletico in their own end. Cruzeiro played the entire tournament with a reserve team, saving the A Squad for the Copa Libertadores final this week with Peru's Sporting Cristal.

In the 74th minute, Cruzeiro fullback Joao Carlos took a high cross on the end touchline and headed it back into the goal box, where fellow defender Odair headed it in to tie the game.

Six minutes later, an Atletico counter-attack sent a ball skimming across the goal box to Valdir, who was streaking in from the left side. His right foot touch eluded Cruzeiro defender Rodrigo and gave

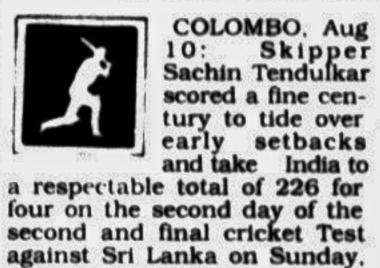
Atletico the victory. Atletico earned 900,000 dollars for the title. The big winners were AC Milan, who reportedly received 1.5 million dollars just for showing up, while Benfica earned 700,000. Other teams were Olimpia of Paraguay and the Brazilian clubs Flamengo, Corinthians and America.

#### BAF handball

JESSORE, Aug 10: The annual inter base handball championship of Bangladesh Air Force got underway at the BAF Base Matiur Rahman today, re-

ports UNB. In the inaugural match, Air Headquarters unit beat the hosts 27-21.

### Tendulkar's 13th ton



report agencies. India were still 116 runs behind Sri Lanka's first innings total of 332 on a lively wicket at the Sinhalese Sports Club

ground in Colombo. India started disastrously losing Ajay Jadeja and Rahul Dravid with only nine runs on the board. Tendulkar's 13th century dominated the day's proceedings as he and lefthanded Saurav Ganguly put on 100 runs for the unbroken fifth wicket partnership.

At close of play, Tendulkar was batting on 117 and Ganguly was 47 not out.

Tendulkar and opener Navjot Sidhu stemmed the rot by putting on 72 runs for the third wicket partnership.

Apart from one blemish when on 34 he edged paceman Ravindra Pushpakumara to first slip, Tendulkar batted with case picking up singles and doubles while stroking the occasional boundary. Sri Lankan skipper Arjuna Ranatunga failed to accept the chance. Tendulkar reached his cen-

tury flicking Pushpakumara to the square-leg fence for a 13th boundary, a stroke which also took his 1997 Test aggregate to over 750 runs.

He found a reliable partner in Ganguly who prevented the home side from making further inroads after Mohammad Azharuddin was sent back with the total on 126 in the second over after tea. Azharuddin lost concentration and edged a drive outside the off-stump to wicketkeeper Romesh Kaluwitharana off left arm paceman Chaminda Vaas.

Ganguly, looking for a big score on this tour, stroked the ball with confidence and hit six boundaries in his unbeaten 47 made in 158 minutes. Tendulkar's 117 came in 318 minutes, laced with 14 fours.

Vaas was the most successful bowler claiming two wickets. He dismissed opener Jadeja who played forward and edged the ball to the wicketkeeper. Vaas also had a hand in the

dismissal of Dravid when he held a catch at fine-leg after the batsman hooked a ball from left arm bowler Sajeewa de Silva with his score on two.

Sri Lanka on Sunday: SRI LANKA: First innings (overnight 316-7): Jayasuriya c Tendulkar b



Indian Skipper Sachin Tendulkar (R) being gratulated by teammate Saurav Ganguly after completing his century on the second day of the final Test against Sri Lanka in Colombo yesterday. It was Tendulkar's 13th Test ton and fourth against the Lankans. - AFP/UNB photo

Sidhu batted confidently but missed the flight of a ball from off-spinner Muttiah Muralitharan and was stumped for

Earlier, Sri Lanka resumed at the overnight score of 316 for seven and were all out for 332 within eight overs as India's debutant paceman Debashish Mohanty captured four for 78

Mohanty wrapped up the Lankan innings clean bowling Ravindra Pushpakumara for nought after accounting for Aravinda de Silva who added only two runs to his overnight 144 before being caught behind.

#### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard on the second day of the second and final cricket Test between India and

Atapattu c Azharuddin b Prasad Mahanama c Azharuddin **b** Mohanty

De Silva c Mongia b Mohanty Ranatunga c Mongia b Ganguly Jayawardena c Mongia b Prasad 16 Kaluwitharana b Kuruvilla Vaas b Kuruvilla Muralitharan c Azharuddin b Kumble

Pushpakumara b Mohanty S de Silva not out Extras: (b-4, lb-4, nb-4) Total: (all out)

Fall of wickets: 1-53; 2-59; 3-121; 4-192; 5-230; 6-249; 7-274; 8-322; 9-332. Bowling Prasad 5 104 68

Kuruvilla -Mohanty 20.4 5 78 Kumble 51 Ganguly 0 23 Incomplete

## Holger, a friend indeed



Holger Obermann, a renow-ned German football coach, visited Bangladesh many times during 1991-94

to conduct camps for under-16 players. His efforts paid off handsomely as Bangladesh defeated Malaysia and Kuwait in the 1994 Asian youth tourna-

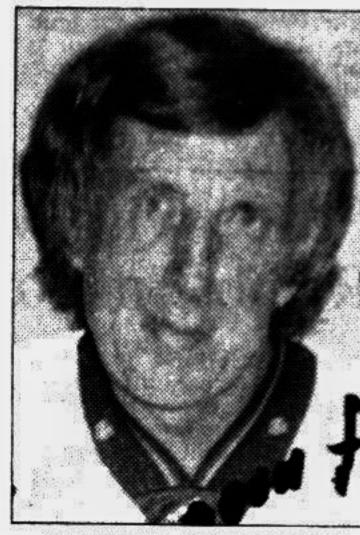
He stressed the need of continuous coaching to a certain group of young players under a cyclic process before forming the national team. Obermann. who has the experience of coaching in 20 countries in Asia and Africa, after his training session in Bangladesh on October 9, 1993 disclosed that one of the participants would be imparted training at the famous "Portas Football School" in Germany. That person was Asaduzzaman Don who was treated as a personal guest of Obermann during his threeweek stay.

He came here to coach the boys of any Third World country. While he was the national coach of Nepal he sent a number of footballers to the Portas School. He took the Nepalese U-18 team to Germany to play 11 exhibition matches. The team achieved good results winning eight including one against a German selection, losing two and drawing the other. He introduced 12 youths regional coaching centres all over Nepal. The pinnacle of his success came when they became SAF Games champions in 1993. He was honoured with the title "The father of football" by the

Nepalese King. During his time in Nepal he used to visit many plateaus in high altitude where boys never saw the 'beautiful game'. He encouraged them to play it.

He is not only a coach, he is

Zakaria Pintoo an organiser too. During his visit to Dhaka he arranged many donations for our football. In the last Hiroshima Asian Games, when Bangladesh delegation doctor-was running out of some special medicine. Obermann helped him out.



HOLGER OBERMANN

The Malaysian government welcomed him to train their boys. Presently he is the head coach and chief technical adviser. But he loves Bangladesh from the core of his heart. When our cricket team was playing in the ICC Trophy in Kuala Lumpur he presented everybody German T-shirts.

After one year the Malaysia under -14 team became the Pacific youth champions overcoming Japan in the semifinals and Korea in final.

Obermann is an institution himself. He was a professional player for Concordia, Hamburg and former Cosmos team, New York SC. He was coach at the Pele training centre, Manhattan ville. New York. He is one of the founders of the Portas

School in Frankfurt. He was also a TV commentator during the last four World Cups for German TV ARD and has authored several books. For the first time he introduced a course for goalkeepers in FAM (Football Association of Malaysia) in 1993.

He is also interested to develop the sport in Bangladesh at the grass-roots level. With this objective in mind he wishes to help organise a camp for the country's youths. He expressed that Bangladesh would be his last destination and always used to say that is his second home.

The writer was the captain of the Swadhin Bangla football

#### River Plate lift title

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, Aug 10: Uruguayan striker Enzo Francescoli scored a pair of goals to give River Plate a 2-0 victory over Velez Sarsfield on Saturday and their 26th Argentine football championship. the most by any club, reports

The victory gave River a 12-4-2 record and a six-point lead over Newell's Old Boys with one round remaining. Ferro helped give River their

second consecutive crown by beating Newell's 4-1 on Saturday, knocking out River's last

In other games Saturday, it was: Hurachan 1, Estudiantes 0; Platense 0, Racing 0; Lanus 4. Union 0; Espanol 3, Gimnasia Jujuy 1: Hurachan Corrientes 3. Independiente 2; and Banfield Colon 1.

Boca Juniors faces Rosario Central to complete the 18th round on Sunday.



Liverpool's Karl-Heinz Riedle (R) keeps the ball under control by screening it from Neal Ardley of Wimbledon during their Premiership clash at Selhurst Park on Aug 9. The match ended in a 1-1 draw. - AFP/UNB photo

#### Federation Cup karate on

**Sports Reporter** The third Federation Cup karate championship got underway at the Mirpur Indoor Stadium vesterday.

Deputy Minister for Shipping Dhirendra Devanath Shambhu declared the two-day meet open, which involves 150 players from thirty different

#### Schools TT from Aug 23

**Sports Reporter** The Green Delta Insurance

national school table tennis championships under the aegis of Bangladesh Table Tennis Federation (BTTF) will begin in the capital on August 23.

Interested schools across the country have been asked to complete the entry formalities at the BTTF office by August 20.

#### India to let bouncer a try

CALCUTTA, Aug 10: India's cricket board today said it will allow a single bouncer delivery in an over in limited-overs cricket tournaments in the

country, reports AFP. "The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has decided to permit one bouncer per over in domestic one-day matches from this season on an experimental basis for a oneyear-period," BCCI secretary Jayant Lele said.

The suggestion has been sent to the International Cricket Council (ICC) for its comments, Lele told reporters after the

board met in Calcutta. "ICC has asked us to try out the one-bouncer-over rule in one-dayers for a year in India and then send a report. The new rule will be tried out from this season," Lele said.

Lele also said the captain and coach need not be given more powers in the selection of a team.

"In no other Test-playing countries do captains enjoy more power," he said, adding that skippers in Sri Lanka and Australia do not even have the power to vote in selecting their

"In our country the skipper hardly has time to play most of the domestic tournaments because of a busy schedule, so how would be now who among the upcoming players is doing good or bad," he said.

#### Prize giving ceremony

League champions Bangladesh Rifles beat runners up Bangladesh Police by 18-8 goals in an exhibition match, arranged on the occasion of prize distribution of the Cute Premier handball league at the National Indoor Stadium yesterday. reports UNB.

The Riflemen, who lifted all the league titles except in 1994-95 season, dominated the first half 13-6.

German Ambassador to Bangladesh Bruno Weber witnessed the match as the chief guest and later distributed the

#### Pete, Thomas in final

MASON, Ohio, Aug 10: Fifthseeded Thomas Muster of Austria upset No. 2 Mich-ael Chang 6-3, 4-6, 7-6 (7-2) Saturday night to move into the final of the 2.3 million dollars ATP Championship, reports AP.

Muster, the fourth-ranked player in the world, will play top-ranked Pete Sampras for the title Sunday. In an afternoon match, Sampras beat 14th-seeded Albert Costa of Spain 6-3, 6-4.

Muster, who has played four successive three-set matches this week, wore down the usually indefatigable Chang with precise placement of powerful baseline strokes. Chang has been a semifinal-

ist here the past six years and was seeking his fifth consecutive title match. He won the tournament in 1994 and 1995, beating Stefan Edberg both times. He was runner-up the past two years, losing to Andre Agassi both years. Muster, a former clay-court

specialist, will be playing for his third hardcourt title this year. He won in Dubai and Key Biscayne, Florida, and reached the semifinals in the Australian Open, where he lost to Sampras, and at Indian Wells, California, where he lost to Chang.

Forty of Muster's 44 career titles have been on clay, and he is 1-7 against Sampras. Sampras has won four titles

this year — the Australian Open, San Jose, Philadelphia and Wimbledon. He last won here in 1992, and had lost in the quarterfinals each of the past two years. Even Sampras was im-

pressed with his play Saturday. "I think it's the best I've served in my career," he said. Costa said it was because Sampras did such a good job of mixing up and disguising his serves. "When he is serving well, you

"His serve is not the fastest on the tour, but it is the best." Sampras, the No. 1 seed, is playing his first tournament since taking month off following his win at Wimbledon.

cannot break him," Costa said.

"I didn't know how I was going to play this week," Sampras said. "I was hoping I would play like I am, but with the long layoff ... it would have been easy to have a little letdown. But my tennis has gotten better and better and better as the week's gone

## Healy's bat baffles hosts



NOTTINGHAM. England, Aug 10: lan Healy frustrated England with a pugnacious half-century as Australia contin ued to secure their Ashes hopes

Sunday, report AP. Healy (63) and Ricky Ponting (41 not out) shared a pace-setting 105-run stand for the sixth wicket on the penultimate morning in Australia's secondinnings 278 for six at lunch on the fourth day.

The pair shrugged off the unexpected dismissal of Steve Waugh to the second ball of the morning, sending the England attack on a leatherhunt on a Trent Bridge pitch still favouring the batsmen. Australia, 2-1 up in the sixmatch series, enjoy an overall

sions remaining in the game, making an England win and a comeback a distant reality. Australia are in a very strong position to force a result and go into the final Test at The Oval with an unbeatable 3-1 se-

lead of 392 runs with five ses-

ries deficit. Waugh made his intentions clear with the very first ball of the morning, cover driving medium paceman Andrew Caddick to the fence.

But Caddick hit back, producing a delivery that bounced viciously, and the right hander got in the way and gloved it to Adam Hollioake at second slip. Waugh scored 14 runs. That was all England had for

the next 104 minutes as Healy and Ponting pummeled the bowling. Caddick in particular, bringing up their century stand in just 91 minutes.

Australia, resuming the day on 167 for four, added 72 runs

in 11 overs with Healy racing to his half-century, his first of the series, off just 49 balls inclusive of eight boundaries. Fifteen minutes before the



**HEALY ...68** break, medium pacemen Adam Hollioake picked up his first wicket on his debut, finding the edge of Healy's bat on the way to wicketkeeper Alec Stewart.

Healy's runs came off 78 balls and included nine boundaries.

Healy, playing his 27th Test against England became the second Australian' keeper after Rod Marsh to complete the Test double - 100 dismissals and 1000 runs - during the course of

his innings. Healy, the dominant partner in the stand, made Ponting a mere spectator at the nonstriker's end. Ponting.

41, providing solid support to his senior partner. Shane Warne, who came in at the fall of Healy's wicket, is

yet to score. Caddick was the pick of the bowlers, picking up three for 85 while Dean Headley and the Hollioake brothers - Adam and Ben - have a wicket apiece.

#### SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard at lunch on the fourth day of the fifth cricket Test between Australia and England at Trent Bridge on Sunday:

AUSTRALIA: First innings

**ENGLAND:** First innings 313 AUSTRALIA: Second innings (over night 167 for four) Taylor c Hussain b B Hollioake Elliott c Crawley b Caddick Blewett c Stewart b Caddick M Waugh Ibw b Headley S Waugh c A Hollioake b Caddick 14 Ponting not out

Healy c Stewart b A Hollioake Warne not out Extras: (lb-6, nb-5) Total: (for six wkts) Fall of wkts: 1-51; 2-104; 3-134; 4-156; 5-171; 6-276.

Malcolm Headley Croft 6 43 Caddick B Hollioake 26 A Hollioake

the leading African, Zabedayo

Bayo of Tanzania, Moneghetti

and a third Spaniard, Fabian

Roncero, who was paying for

trying to make an earlier break.

overtake Dos Santos but, at 35

kilometres, Fiz and Anton led

the Australian by more than 30

seconds and were never threat-

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Suzuki, the route followed the

original run in 490 BC. by the

soldier Pheidippides, who car-

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had beaten the Persians in bat-

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ened for the lead.

Moneghetti made a move to

## Anton just ahead of Fiz



ATHENS, Aug 10: Spain's Abel Anton broke away from defending champion countryman Martin Fiz just outside

the Panathinaikon Stadium Sunday to run clear for a first ever 1-2 in a World Championship marathon, reports AP. Having stayed close behind Fiz for the last 15 kilometres

(10 miles). Anton raced past him as they turned towards the stadium. Fiz was unable to respond and Anton started his victory wave as he ran into the The two men hugged after both had crossed the finish line

but, a few minutes later, Fiz collapsed. He needed half an hour's medical treatment for exhaustion and was hooked up to a drip before recovering. Anton crossed the finish line in 2 hours 13 minutes 16 seconds for Spain's first gold medal of these championships.

Fiz clocked 2:13:21 and Australia's Steve Moneghetti won the bronze in 2:14:16. Italy's Danilo Goffi came in fourth in 2:14:45. Now Anton, who won the

1996 Berlin Marathon, on his debut, is bidding to win the world title again in two year's time in the southern Spanish city of Seville and make it three victories in a row for his coun-

"I would like a lot to run in Seville and try and make it two

golds at home," he said. "To be a good marathoner I know you have to be fast at the finish and my track experience helped me a lot," said Anton, who is European champion at

10,000 metres. While Anton is a comparative newcomer to marathons. 34-year-old Monaghetti has been running them for 20 years.

"This is very special for me especially to do it on this course," said the Australian, who had never before won medals at either the Worlds or Olympics despite some near misses. A small crowd of around

2,000 fans were let into the sta-

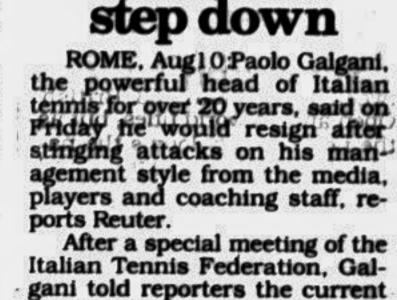
dium in central Athens to see

the finish, which also was witnessed by Juan Antonio Samaranch, president of the International Olympic Committee. No spectators were allowed in by race organisers to see the end of Saturday's women's race for reasons that started out as a security move and later became

a verbal squabble between the

mayor's office and the local organising committee. A field of 108 runners started the tough, undulating 42.195 kilometres course. After 1 hour 30 minutes at 27 kilometres, defending titlist Fiz broke away from the leading 10 and countryman Anton went with

him. The two Spaniards soon opened up a gap of 80 metres on Brazil's Luiz Dos Santos, fol-



board would step down in November. The move could open the way for the return of former Italian Davis Cup captain Adriano Panatta, who quit last month,

jeopardising the team's World Group semifinal against Swe-Panetta, whose squad scored a surprise victory over Spain in the quarterfinals in April, said he could not continue to work with Galgani after the president refused to renew his contract as

technical director. Galgani, whose term as Italian Tennis Federation president was to run until 2000, had been under mounting pressure to resign from numerous critics who said his domineering management was hurting the

sport. Friday's special meeting of the federation was called by Italian Olympic Committee president Mario Pescante after Sports Minister Walter Veltroni expressed concern for the future of the Davis Cup campaign.

lowing his resignation and hinted they might consider pulling out of the semifinals. Panatta, who won the French Open in 1976, said he would return to the squad only

Some of the squad had

pledged loyalty to Panatta fol-

if Galgani resigned. Last year they were knocked out in the semifinals by France after leading for most of the match.

CRYPTOQUIP

UYKDPMGSGRWLM KYDPKAYU, TPBGKWMY HPLMWDY LAWF UWBWFR. Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I REALLY WONDER IF

YOU COULD EVER CONSIDER A FEAST AN EAT WAVE. Today's Cryptoquip clue: B equals V

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it 47 Fodder for 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.

# lowed some 50 metres back by Members of the victorious Bangladesh Rifles team, who

won the Cute Premier handball league title, receiving the trophy from German Ambassador to Bangladesh Bruno Weber (3rd from R), the chief guest of the presentation ceremony at the Mirpur Indoor Stadium yesterday. - Star photo

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