sports COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN Competition-80 Tick the Correct Answers Competition closes at 8 pm, Oct 17, '97 1 Who clinched the U-17 soccer World Cup? Nigeria Brazil Who was the man-of-thetournament in the recent Sahara Cup? Saurav Who lifted the Grand Slam Cup? Sampras Korda

Who are the Mahanagari

Muktijoddha Abahani Mohammedan

Which company will sponsor

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the '99 cricket World Cup?

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Ali Sher

(Indian golfer)

on my short game. When my

short game is good my confi-

Courier cruises

into final

Jim Courier of the United

States overpowered Sweden's

Thomas Johansson in Satur-

day's China Open semifinal

with a straight set win 6-3, 6-4,

Swede, fifth-seed Magnus

Gustafsson, in Sunday's final

match of the US 328,000 dollars

competition at Beijing's Inter-

Gustaffsson also swept

Courier's win over third-

through his semi, trouncing

Denmark's Kenneth Carlsen 6-

seeded Johansson was not an

easy one. Johansson kept him-

self in every point by returning

his opponent's big shots and

think I was a bit more solid on

the big points," Courier said. "It

was a very close match, closer

than the score indicated. Just a

question of me playing the big-

when, as he began to exult in

what he thought was an ace

serve at 6-2, 5-3, 40 to 30, the

to score his 6-4 win and a place

Fed Cup tennis

Hemmes banks

on home

advantage

therlands face a daunting task

trying to keep clear favourites

France from winning the Fed.

Cup in the Dutch city of Den

Bosch this weekend but team

spirit, a partisan crowd and the

right surface should do the

8,800 fans in the stands, a sur-

face adjusted for the game of

(singles players) Schultz and

Oremans and a perfect prepara-

tion. The mood is excellent,"

Dutch coach Fred Hemmes said.

final on Saturday and Sunday

to the side who toppled holders

the United States and the seeded

Czech Republic in earlier

no chance, on paper, both times

"On both occasions we had

He made no changes for the

"We've got home advantage,

trick, reports Reuter.

rounds.

Hemmes said.

BRUSSELS, Oct 4: The Ne-

against Courier in the final.

But he did win the next point

Gustafsson had a scare

"It wasn't that easy, but I

forcing some long rallies.

ger points better.

umpire called a let.

national Tennis Centre.

Courier meets another

BEIJING, Oct 4: Top seeded

dence goes up."

reports AP.

2, 6-4.

"For me everything depends

SPORTS

EN-VITS

Cup soccer champions?

Shafiuddin Babu (2nd from right), a promising fast bowler, enjoying a joke with his teammates including skipper Akram Khan (C) at the BCB office yesterday. -Star photo

Squad starts out today

Fitness remains a worry

Sports Reporter



Coach Cuthbert Gordon Greenidge is neither happy with the fitness of his boys nor with the preparations

of the team which will take part in a triangular cricket tourney starting in Kenya from October 10. The celebrated Caribbean

opener, who became the newest citizen of Bangladesh on October 2 for his contribution to help the country win historic ICC Trophy, expressed his dissatisfaction to The Daily Star prior to the team's departure for Kenya last night. A 17-member Bangladesh

team, led by Akram Khan, will leave the country for Dubai tonight on their way to Nairobi. After a 12-hour stopover in Dubai, the team is expected to reach Nairobi on Monday afternoon. It will be Bangladesh's first ever official tournament after earning the one-day status alongwith ICC Trophy runners-up Kenya. The two newcomers in international cricket will compete alongside the latest Test-playing nation Zimbabwe in the Nairobi spectacle.

But, prior to start out for Kenya, Greenidge was a bit skeptical while talking at the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) office vesterday.

"Half of the side is fit for a tournament like this. And the others need to improve a lot if they want to continue with the team in future," said Greenidge, who took over the helm of the national cricket last year.

. "After the week-long conditioning camp in Cox's Bazar last month, all the cricketers

are now aware of their own physical condition," he added. Greenidge however pointed out that the camping at the sea resort did a world of good for players to get into shape.

A visibly dejected coach, who had to encounter inclement weather for most of the time during the nearly six-week training session, considered the Cox's Bazar outing as the only fruitful outcome, barring a few outdoor practice opportunities under good weather.

"In the last one and a half months or so, the training of the boys were mostly restricted to only indoors because of the monsoon and the facilities we have got at the Dhanmondi gym is not up to the mark ," commented the Caribbean.

When asked why BCB did not cash in on the supposed indoor training facilities at the BKSP he appeared very critical in his reply.

"Everybody talks big but nobody takes the drive that is needed. I have heard a lot of promises to uplift the training facilities since our ICC triumph but in reality nothing has been materialised so far." said Greenidge. After the historic ICC win, the National Sports Council (NSC) in a publicityhunt initiative vowed to provide all the necessary logistics at the BKSP for the betterment of cricket.

"Besides, we did not have any match practice before this tour and the team has played only three international matches since we won the ICC Trophy last April.

"Look at the Kenyans, they had played against New

Zealand in their home soil last month and also toured South Africa for their preparation of the meet."

He however pointed out that BCB planned an early departure keeping the setback on mind. "We are moving to Kenya three days before and will try to manage one practice match there before the tournament starts next Friday," said Greenidge.

About the team selection he refrained from making comments but expressed his inclination for a left-handed opener. "It would have been better if

we got a left-hand opener in the squad. Anyway, I will try my best to get the best possible result out of this team. I have confidence in my boys and know they will not let me This will be the third trip of

Bangladesh to Kenya after two flop tours in 1984 and 1994. Bangladesh lost all the three limited overs matches on Kenyan soil. The team will meet the hosts

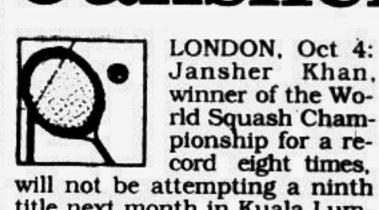
on October 10 opening match of the tourney which will be played on double league format.

TEAM

Akram Khan (captain) Aminul Islam (vice-captain), Athar Ali Khan, Minhazul Abedin, Shariar Hossain, Habibul Bashar, Jahangir Alam, Khaled Masood, Mohammad Rafique, Saiful Islam, Hasibul Hossain. Sheikh Salauddin, Mafizur Rahman and Saifuddin Ahmed. Officials: Gordon Greenidge

(coach). Gazi Ashrah Hossain (manager) and Dr. Jawad (Physio).

Jansher avoids hot spot



pionship for a record eight times. will not be attempting a ninth title next month in Kuala Lumpur because of an entanglement with his Malaysian former wife, reports AFP.

The Pakistani risks facing a court order of one million ringgits (320,000 pounds) as a bond if he attempts to enter and leave Malaysia again.

The last time Jansher competed in that country, in the 1991 Malaysian Open, he had a petition for divorce placed in his hands as he came off court after his first round match with New Zealander Paul Steel.

Since then Rukshana Soh has been seeking payments of 800 pounds a month for eighteen years from Jansher for support of their son Kamran, now aged seven.

Attempts by the world champion to reach accommodation have apparently failed.

A statement from Jansher's personal adviser Satinder Bajwa, issued through the management company Advantage International, on Friday said: "It is with deep regret that Jansher has withdrawn from the

World Open. This is for entirely .

top seed Yevgeny Kafelnikov.

reports Reuter.

personal reasons and neither I nor Jansher will be making any further comment."

However, Jansher contradicted this pronouncement by suggesting that he had not realised his name was absent from the list of World Open entries, which closed on Thurs-

"I am surprised — I still want to play," the world champion

claimed A spokesperson for the Professional Squash Association (PSA), the players' governing body which runs the men's world circuit, said it was not

impossible for Jansher to play. "I think it is possible that a request for an extension to the closing date will come in," the spokesperson said.

However, it is unlikely that the players on the PSA board will tolerate such a concession. especially in view of Jansher's controversial record.

The last time the World Open was held in Kuala Lumpur, in 1989. Jansher was in trouble for walking out of the tournament prize-giving dinner after only 20 minutes.

Earlier this year he was given a one month ban and a fine of 1,600 pounds for failing to appear at the Mahindra International in Bombay. Jansher also encountered

problems at the 1991 World Open in Adelaide when a former manager, Greg Hutchings, claiming compensation for past services and sat in the front row as the defending champion went down to a shock quarterfinal defeat to Aussie Rodney Martin.

Jansher's absence from next month's tournament casts doubt on his ability to achieve his ambition of ten World Opens before a younger group of

players overtakes him. The 28-year-old wants this to match the ten British Opens won by his namesake compatriot Jahangir Khan and to prove that he and not his former rival is the most successful male player of all time.

The top seed in Kuala Lumpur is now likely to be Rodney Eyles of Australia, although by the time the seedings have been released Peter Nicl of Scotland may have regained the world number two ranking behind Jansher.

Both should be strong contenders for the title, although on current form the biggest threat may come from the Canadian Jonathan Power, who last week won his fifth title in less than a year by capturing the US Open title in Minneapolis, defeating Eyles in the quarterfinals.

world's fourth ranked player. Kafelnikov, who had looked

a sparkling 6-3, 6-7, 6-2 upset of

Philippoussis displaying

He will take on Henman in today's semifinal. Rusedski, ranked 10 in the world, booked his place in the semifinals with a well-earned 7-6, 4-6, 6-3 victory over a wellrested and determined sixth seed Thomas Enqvist, who was playing in his first tournament

Although he had just a single break in three sets. Rusedski, still enjoyed his best serving effort of the tournament, finishing off an entertaining contest by blasting his 19th ace past the

The win allowed Rusedski to reach the semifinals for the fourth time in as many tournaments. The Canadian-born Briton has been enjoying a remarkable run, reaching the final of the US Open followed by semifinal appearances in Bournemouth, the Grand Slam Cup and now the Swiss Indoors.

Div II hockey

Kabir scores a treble

Sports Reporter

Anwar Kabir notched up a brilliant hattrick as Dhaka Wanderers Club sauntered past East End Green with a 6-0 victory in the Green Delta Insurance Second Division league at the National Hockey Stadium yesterday.

In a lop-sided affair, the nimble centre-half of the Motifheel outfit scored in the 18th, 33rd and 37th minutes to give his side an unassailable 4-O lead at the breather. Earlier, in the fifth minute Shahidul Islam opened the goal-glut blasting home a penalty corner. Captain Muhid with two quick goals in a span of four minutes in the second session then completed the East End Green rout.

Meanwhile, in the other match of the day, Combined Sporting Club blanked Dilkusha Sporting Club 4-0. The winners led the first

half 3-0. Shabu opened the Combined account in the very second minute Swapan doubled the margin with a nice field goal in the 20th minute.

Mamun then added the third eight minutes later while Adel sealed the fate of the match ten minutes from the final whistle.

FIDE rating chess Nine atop

the table Sports Reporter

International Masters Ziaur Rahman and Reefat-bin-Sattar and seven others - Abdullahal-Rakib, Abul Kashem Bhuiyan, Syed Ruhul Kabir Shiplu, Maidul Islam Masum. Sheikh Nasir Ahmed, Sheikh Anwar Hossain and Mohammad Javed — were jointly leading the Open FIDE rating chess tournament after yesterday's round at the NSC chess room.

In the third of the 11-round Swiss League meet on Saturday, Zia edged past Aminul Islam, Reefat beat Ruhul Islam Bobby, Rakib checkmated Ahmedul Abul Kashem overcame Khandkar Amin, Shiplu defeated Babul, Masum tamed Mallick, Anwar outplayed Monir, Nasir beat Mainu while Javed won his board against Tipu to remain at the crowded top slot having three points each.

Besides, ten players — Rezaul Haque, Enayet Hossain, Ali Amjad Mintu, Amir Hossain, Tanima Parveen, Nazmul Haque, Saifullah Russell, Din Mohammad, Sohel Chowdhury and Hasibul Hasan Hanif were at the second place with 2.5 points apiece at the end of the round.

The fourth round will start at the same venue today at 3 pm.

Challenger Trophy Amol fills in for Rahul

MUMBAI, Oct 4: Mumbai' middle order batsman Amol Mazumdar has replaced Rahul Dravid in the 12-member India seniors to play in the threeteam Challenger Trophy oneday series here from October 9-12, reports PTI.

Mumbai Cricket Association secretary Prof Ratnakar Shetty told today that Dravid had been forced out of the tournament because his wisdom tooth was to be extracted on Monday.

He would be out of action for another ten days, said Prof Shetty on behalf of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI). Ajay Jadeja was yesterday

named skipper of the India seniors by the national selectors as captain Sachin Tendulkar opted out of the tournament for personal reasons.

Mohammad Azharuddin and Anti Kumble have been named to lead India 'A' and B teams respectively in the Challenger Trophy, which is to be held here under lights.

Juvenile kabadi

Sharmin Textile Mills and Ansars-VDP won their respective matches in the second juvenile kabadi tournament at the court near Dhaka Stadium yesterday, reports UNB.

Sharmin Textile outplayed Nawabpur by 101-39 points after leading the first session 57-15 points.

In the other match, Ansars and VDP trounced Vasantek High School by 91-27 points after establishing a 50-12 points first half lead.

Shaheed Nabi will meet Rifles School and College while Rifles Public School meet Haider Ali School and College in today's matches.

Suresh elected SAAAF president NEW DELHI, Oct 4: Suresh

Kalmadi, president of the Amateur Athletic Federation of India (AAFI), has been elected president of the South Asian Amateur Athletic Federation (SAAAF), reports PTI. The third congress of

SAAAF, held here on October 1 and 2, also elected AAFI secretary general Lalit Bhanot as the organisation's joint secretary general. According to a SAAAF re-

lease, its other elected officebearers include Mahinia Rajapakse (Sri Lanka — senior vice-president), Maizan Ali Manik (Maldives - vice-president), Raghu Ronta (Nepal vice-president), Zafar Ahmed (Pakistan — secretary general). Farooqul Islam (Bangladesh treasurer). Shaheen Khan (Pakistan — executive member), Dunstan Fernundo (Nepal - executive member) and Amrnath Athifa (Maldives — executive member).

Anwar retains his job

Malik ignored again



KARACHI, Oct 4: Saeed Anwar, who led Pakistan to a 2-1 victory over traditional rivals India will lead his side in the first Test against South Africa starting in Rawalpindi on Monday, the Pakistan Cricket Board announced

Friday, reports AFP. The selectors also included leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmed. who played for Somerset in county championship this season and missed the Independence Cup and one-day series against India

Anwar, 29, led Pakistan to the series win against India, the first played on Pakistan soil for eight years. The South Africans will be

led by Hansie Cronje, who is al-

ready in Pakistan, for the three Test series during a 45-day tour. The 14-member Pakistan squad includes off-spinner Saqlain Mushtaq and leg-spinner Mushtaq Ahmed, in an effort to exploit South African's perceived weakness against

Salim Malik, who was dropped from the team against India, has not been recalled and Test caps have been awarded to Ali Naqvi and Mohammad Ramzan

spin bowling.

Nagyi scored 61 and Ramzan 32 in a three-day match against South Africa, both scored heavily in the domestic season and for the Pakistan juniors this

Experienced opening batsman Aamir Sohail, who was dismissed for nought in a three-day fixture against South Africa here this week also

the 13th over but were never

troubled as they gradually re-

day half century, led the way be-

fore Campbell explosively took

straight sixes off the slower

bowlers as the cruised to a cen-

tury partnership in just 145

balls. They were finally parted

just 21 short of victory when

Rennie was lbw to Nathan As-

wickets to fall for just 15 in five

overs as Zimbabwe had an at-

see them home, making his 77

from 112 balls with four fours

and deciding to bat, never got

bowlers who completed their al-

going against a tight attack.

tack of nerves.

and three sixes.

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That was the first of four

But Campbell held firm to

The Kiwis winning the toss

All three of the Zimbabwe

Scene from the third round of the Open FIDE rating chess

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21 "Eureka!"

tournament at the NSC chess room on Saturday.

2 "Casa-

4 Bars

5 Indira's

6 Khan title

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8 Mrs. Raiph

Kramden

Lincoln

Solution time: 23 mins.

Yesterday's answer

son/

blanca"

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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50 Skunk's

51 Entirety

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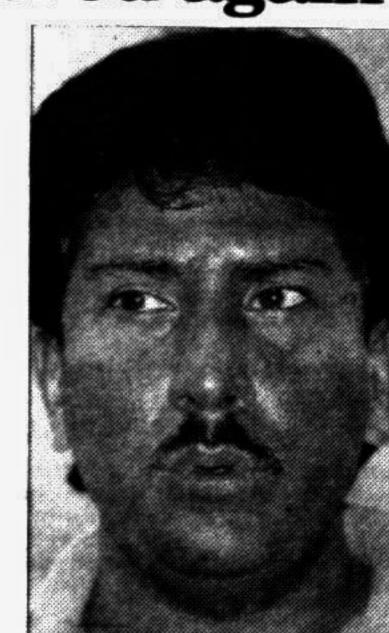
containers

Rennie's 72, his maiden one-

Campbell hit three massive

paired the early damage.

over with an unbeaten 77.



SALIM MALIK

failed to secure a place in the

"I am a very happy captain after defeating India in the oneday series and now it will be a challenge to beat the tough South Africans in the Test series," Anwar said. Cronje has called the series a "tough and exciting encounter."

TEAM

Saeed Anwar (captain), Moin Khan (vice-captain). Wagar Younis, Salim Elahi, Mohammad Wasim, Ijaz Ahmed, Inzamamul Haq, Azhar Mahmood Saglain Mushtag, Mohammad Akram, Sahid Nazir, Mohammad Ramzan, Ali Nagvi and Mushtaq Ahmed.

RU aquatic

Amir Ali Hall emerge champs

From RU Correspondent RAJSHAHI, Oct 4: Sayed Amir Ali Hall clinched the inter-dormitory swimming and water-polo championships of Rajshahi University, which

concluded here on Tuesday. In the two-day meet where a total of 13 events were decided, Amir Ali Hall secured highest 76 points to beat their nearest rivals Nawab Abdul Latif Hall, who finished with 46 points.

Abu Jafar Haider, a natant of Amir Hall, set a record in the 200 m individual medley. He clocked two minutes 58.78 seconds, bettering the previous mark by 8.57 seconds. Jafar's fantastic fear has also earned him the "Saiful Smriti Award" as the best athlete in the meet.

Meanwhile, in the waterpolo final the winners defeated Shaheed Habibur Rahman Hall

Vice-Chancellor Prof. Abdul Khaleque gave away prizes as the chief guest.

Jahangir retains billiards title

COMILLA, Oct 4: Jahangir Alam of Comilla Club has emerged champion for the seventh time in the 19th national Ali Nawab Smriti billiards competition, reports UNB.

Jahangir defeated Sohrab Hossain of Dhaka Officers' Club by 72 points in the final held on Friday. A total of 28 players repre-

senting seven clubs from across the country took part in the competition that began on September 26.

Zimbabwe take 1-0 lead

Campbell's captain's knock HARARE, Oct 4: A lotted maximum of 10 overs -SCOREBOARD



Strang conceded only 13 in to-

New Zealand were immediately on the defensive following the loss of opener Craig Spearman with only six on the board. Although Astle in partnership with Matthew Horne recovered the situation, taking the score steadily to 61, the tourists lost them both, as well as captain Stephen Fleming, in quick suc-

It was a situation they failed

The Zimbabwe fielding was as sharp as ever and the tourists

-Star photo

fewer than three runs per over.

cession, slumping to 74-4. to recover from. Although allrounder Chris Harris and Craig McMillan held together for a few overs, the run rate refused

rarely penetrated it.

A CAMPBELL ... 77 n.o.

to get much above three.

Scoreboard of the second one-day international between New Zealand and Zimbabwe at the Harare Sports Club on Sat-**NEW ZEALAND** Astle b P Strang

Spearman c Campbell b J Rennie Horne run out Fleming c G Rennie b Evans Cairns c J Rennie b Evans McMillan st a Flower b A Whittal 38 Parore c A Flower b J Rennie Harris not out

Vettori not out Extras: (lb-6, nb-1, w-13) Total: (7 wkts in 50 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-6; 2-61; 3-74; 4-74; 5-116; 6-143; 7-160. Bowling: Brandes J Rennie

G Whittall P Strang Evans 10 A Whittal ZIMBABWE Rennie lbw b Astle Flower c Cairns b Larsen

A Flower v McMillan b O'Connor

G Whittall c O'Connor b Harris Campbell not out Houghton v Vettori b McMillan Evans c O'Connor b Astle P Strang c and b McMillan Brandes not out Extras: (b-1, lb-3, w-6, nb-2)

Total: (for seven wickets in 48.2 overs) Fall of wickets: 1-12; 2-28; 3-42; 4-165; 5-170; 6-174; 7-180

Did not bat: J Rennie, A Whittall Bowling: O'connor Larsen 25 Cairns Harris Astle Vettori 22

McMillan Result: Zimbabwe won by three wickets. First match: Bulawayo. match tied.

Final match: Harare, Sun-

Edmund's riposte

RIO DE JANEIRO, Oct 4: Brazilian striker Edmundo, left out of the national team this week for disciplinary reasons, responded by scoring his 16th Brazilian championship goal on Wednesday, reports Reuter.

Edmundo, sent off five times this year, fired Vasco into a first minute lead against Palmeiras, pouncing after an intended backpass had stuck in one of the many pools on a waterlogged pitch.

CRYPTOQUIP

Today's Cryptoquip clue: U equals G 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

44 Oxidation 45 "Whap!" locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

HIIQWCT: H HOZEC YGWCECW YZRTZRU YHQPOI.

SACKS.

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11 Young Mr. 33 Refuse to 35 Pigs' digs Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I HEAR THAT STRONG HIKERS CAN TOTE THEIR SLEEPING PILLS IN NAP Starshine' 13 Response

British fourth seed Greg land, Oct 4: Hard-Rusedski and compatriot Tim Henman also posted quarterfiserving Mark Philippoussis of Ausnal wins, at the expense of a tralia blasted his pair of Swedes, setting up the way into the semipossibility of the first ever allfinals of the Swiss Indoor British final in an ATP event. championships on Friday with

seldom seen mobility to go alongwith his power game as he overwhelmed Kafelnikov, the



we won because of our team Action from yesterday's juvenile kabadi tournament clash spirit. Oremans, especially, gets. a kick from the Fed Cup," between Sharmin Textile Mills Model High School and Nawabpur Govt High School at the court. -Star photo

unimpressive in his first two matches against young Swiss players ranked outside the top 200, never found his groove against the in-form Philippoussis, who hammered 20 aces past the Russian.

since the US Open.