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Column One

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Competition-82

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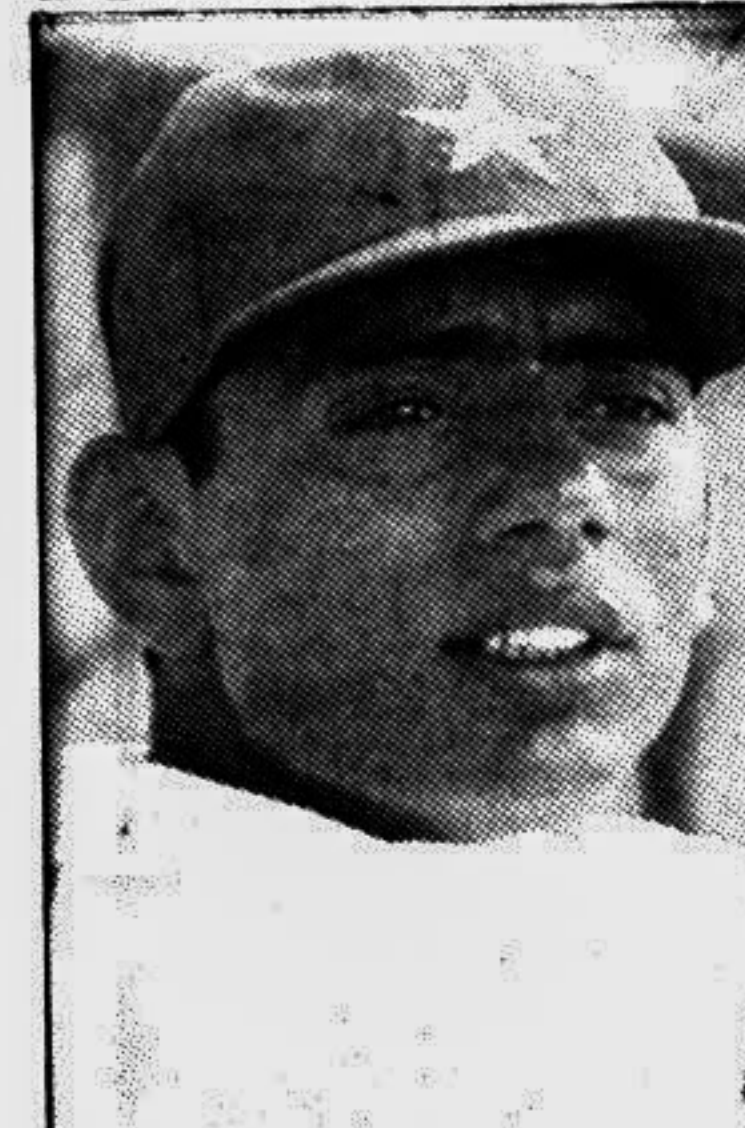
Competition closes at 8 pm, Nov 14, '97

- 1. Which country finished atop at the 19th SEA Games? Indonesia Thailand Vietnam
2. Who was the man-of-the-match in the Faisalabad Test? Mushtaq Symcox Kirsten
3. How many Tests will West Indies play in Pakistan during the ongoing tour? One Two Three
4. Who lifted the Eurocard Open tennis title? Sampras Korda Krjizek
5. Who captured top spot at the women's age-group swimming? Nguan Kushita Mganj

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SPORTS TALK



Saqlain Mushtaq (Pakistan off-spinner) To break the record for off-spinners, and always be in the side. Every innings I will always do my best with the bat. On his future ambitions with the national side.

Evander wears Mike's belt

LAS VEGAS, Nov 9: Evander Holyfield came back from a biting to give Michael Moorer a beating. Holyfield knocked Moorer down five times in a wild heavyweight title fight Saturday night before the fight was finally stopped with a battered Moorer sitting on his stool in the corner after the eighth round, reports AP.

"He came to win," said Holyfield, who added Moorer's IBF heavyweight title to his WBA belt in one of the fiercest title fights in years. "When a guy comes to win it's always going to be a good fight." Moorer was valiant under tremendous pressure from Holyfield and held his own until he was put down once in the fifth round. Holyfield knocked him down twice in the seventh round and twice more in the eighth round.

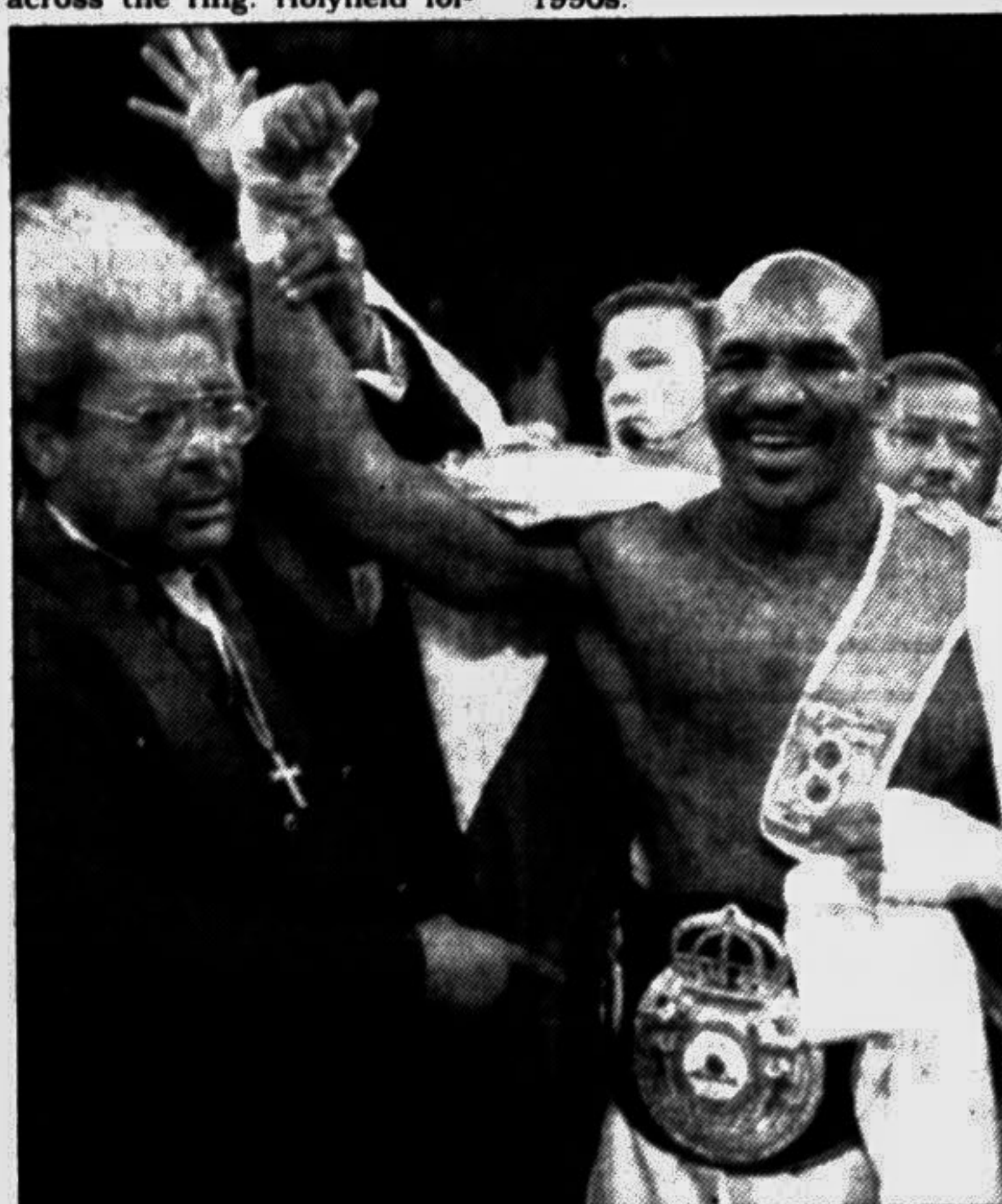
"I was going to keep getting up," Moorer said. "But ring doctor Flip Homansky wouldn't give Moorer a chance to get up again. He looked at Moorer in the corner and told referee Mitch Halperin to wave the fight to a close." It was a gritty performance for Moorer, often called a reluctant warrior in the ring. And it brought him praise from the ultimate warrior, Holyfield, who was coming off two huge wins over Mike Tyson.

Like the last Tyson fight, Holyfield was bleeding again against Moorer. But this time it wasn't because of a bite to his ear. Rather, it was from a head butt in the third round when Moorer was still very much in the fight and the two heavyweights were going toe-to-toe. With a crowd of some 10,000 roaring at the nonstop action, Holyfield unleashed right hand after right hand against Moorer, who kept getting knocked down and kept getting up again.

Even after being knocked down for the fourth time, in the eighth round, Moorer motivated to Holyfield to bring it on. It was in sharp contrast to previous Moorer fights in which he had been roundly criticised for his unwillingness to mix it up. Moorer was in the fight early, winning the first two rounds on two ringside scorecards and splitting them on a third. He wasn't afraid to exchange punches with Holyfield, and sent the WBA champion staggering across the ring with a right hand late in the first round.

Moorer had been holding his own, rocking Holyfield with right hands and winning some early rounds. Holyfield was cut in the third round over the right eye and didn't seem able to hurt Moorer in the early rounds. Then the fight suddenly changed — on a short right hand from Holyfield that caught Moorer directly on the chin. Moorer crumpled to the canvas, then got to his knees quickly and finally got up at the count of seven. He fought back until the bell sounded to end

the round. But the beating and just begun, and Moorer was to take the brunt of it. In the seventh round, Holyfield was on the ropes, and appeared to be baiting Moorer when he suddenly unleashed a left-right that sent Moorer across the ring. Holyfield followed him and hit Moorer with a left and right uppercut that put him down for a second time. Once again Moorer was up, but Holyfield followed him and dropped him again with a left-right 24 seconds later. Moorer got up immediately and again lasted the round. But the end appeared near, and Holyfield sensed it. With the crowd roaring, he came out in the eighth round determined to end the fight.



Promoter Don King (L) raises Evander Holyfield's arm after Holyfield stopped Michael Moorer in the eighth round of their WBA-IBF heavyweight championship bout in Las Vegas on Saturday.

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After the seventh round, Homansky looked at Moorer and Holyfield gave him another reason to do so in the eighth. He put Moorer down with a left and right at 1:50, and this time Moorer was slower to get up. Moorer (39-2) tried desperately to fight back and at one point motioned for Holyfield to bring it on. Then Holyfield (35-3) landed two right uppercuts in a six-punch series that put Moorer down from the final time. He got up and the bell sounded to end the round, but the fight was as good as over.

The fight was in contrast to the first one between the two in April 1994 when both fighters appeared content to trade from the outside and there was only

one knockdown. The win gave Holyfield both the WBA title he brought into the ring and Moorer's IBF title. He now wants to fight WBC champion Lennox Lewis, who was at ringside, in a fight to unify the heavyweight titles for the first time since the early 1990s.

Holyfield earned 20 million dollars for the fight, upping his earnings to 67 million dollars in his last three fights and some 170 million dollars for his career. Jayasinghe feeling unsecure COLOMBO, Nov 9: A Sri Lankan athlete said government officials threatened her and her husband after she re-buffed their personal advances, news reports said Sunday, says AP. The independent Sunday Leader newspaper quoted sprinter Susanthika Jayasinghe as saying that sports officials were pressuring her to separate from her husband and had made "personal demands" from her. "These threats are so serious...I sometimes feel that I may lose my husband," she was quoted as saying. The village girl who practised running barefoot among rubber trees won a silver medal in the women's 200-metre sprint at the World Track Championship in Athens in August. Jayasinghe became only the second Sri Lankan athlete to win a medal at a top international meet in 49 years. Duncan White won a silver in the 400-metre hurdles at the 1948 Olympics. Jayasinghe was widely praised after winning the medal, and many look to her as Sri Lanka's hope of winning an Olympic gold. But the threats were impeding her training, she told the Sunday Leader. "I don't think there is anything wrong in my questioning whether my winning an Olympic gold is only a dream," the newspaper quoted her as saying. The 22-year-old athlete's three year marriage to Dhaka Nandakumara wasn't publicly known until her allegation Sunday. Their married life has been interfered with directly by certain high officials of the (sports) ministry, Nandakumara was quoted as saying. She had refused to name the officials. Sports Minister S B Disanayake was not immediately available for comment.

Pak heroes honoured

LAHORE, Nov 9: Pakistan's cricket legends and former captains were awarded gold medals amid loud applause at a glittering ceremony here Saturday, reports AFP. Some 20,000 people cheered and waved at present and past heroes who received medals from President Farooq Ahmed Leghari.

The Pakistani heroes made a lap of honour in especially decorated horse drawn buggies. A fireworks display followed with South African players taking a full round of the stadium. Pakistan's 19 Test captains and one unofficial skipper received gold medals. Mian Saeed led Pakistan in the unofficial Test before Pakistan attained Test status in 1952. Posthumous awards of Mian Saeed and Pakistan's first official captain, Abdul Hafeez Kardar, were received by their grandsons.

Pakistan's most successful captain, Imran Khan, missed the ceremony due to a political tour. Nine cricketers were given life time achievement awards. They were Abdul Hafeez Kardar, Fazal Mahmood, Hanif Mohammad, Javed Miandad, Zaheer Abbas, Wasim Bari, Imran Khan, Abdul Qadir and Wasim Akram.

Real stay on Barca's heels

MADRID, Nov 9: Real Madrid kept up the pressure on Spanish league leaders Barcelona on Saturday with a ransacked 2-1 win at Racing Santander, reports Reuters. Real missed several clear chances, but second-half goals from Fernando Morientes and midfielder Clarence Seedorf were enough to lift Real over Espanyol into second place four points behind leaders Barcelona. Barcelona play Valladolid today while Espanyol travel to Real Sociedad.

With Real midway through a demanding programme of five games in 16 days, coach Jupp Heynckes decided to use reserve striker Morientes in place of Predrag Mijatovic. Heynckes was rewarded just after the break when Davor Suker set up Morientes for the first goal with a superb back-heal. Dutch midfielder Seedorf made it 2-0 shortly after coming on when he wriggled his way through the Racing defence for a fine individual goal. Fernando Correa headed one back for Racing 10 minutes from time.

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Abahani skipper Akram Khan (R) receives the Damal Smriti cricket trophy from State Minister for Youth and Sports Obaidul Quader at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday. BCB president Saber Hossain Chowdhury is on Quader's left. — Star photo

Cronje & co floating on air

LAHORE, Nov 9: South African captain Hansie Cronje and coach Bob Woolmer were unanimous in terming their Pakistan tour as "the most successful" after a rousing four-wicket win over Sri Lanka in the final of the quadrangular cricket tournament here Saturday, reports AFP. "After losing 2-1 to Australia at home earlier in the year it is highly satisfying to beat Pakistan in Pakistan and lifting the one-day cup. Hats off to every single player," Cronje said.

South Africa beat Pakistan in the three-match Test series 1-0 with victory at Faisalabad by 53 runs. Coach Bob Woolmer praised the team effort and leading abilities of Cronje. "I think he has led the side in a shrewd manner and although we lost Brett Shultz, Jacques Kallis and Brian McMillan, along the tour we managed to pull off win in the Test series and this one-day title, its highly remarkable," said Woolmer who played for England but has been coaching South Africa since 1992.

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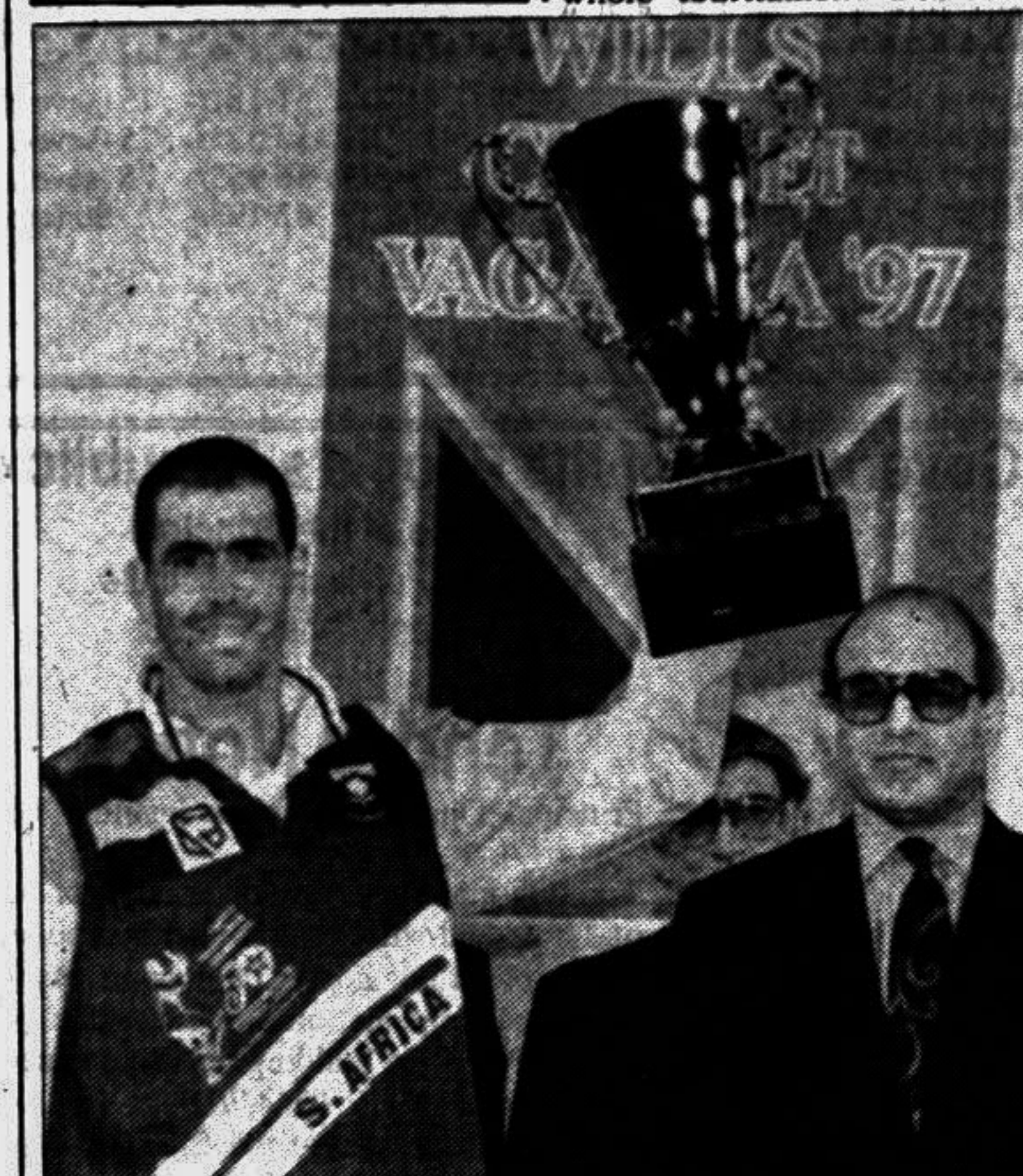
paid off. To beat the world champions at the venue where they won their title needed some extraordinary work and we did that," Cronje said. South Africa thus erased sour memories of their defeat in the 1996 World Cup quarter-final by West Indies. "Yes, we have been learning from experiences and that is great," said Woolmer. South Africa will play three Tests and take part in the World Series Cup in Australia. It will be altogether a different tour with difficult pitches and after a ten-day rest we will do some training before leaving for Australia," Cronje said.

His side will open the Australia tour with a limited over game against ACB Chairman's XI at Liliac Hill on November 25. They will play three Tests in Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide. New Zealand will be the third team in the World Series competition. Meanwhile, Sri Lankan captain Arjuna Ranatunga praised the "total cricket" played by South Africa. "One team can't win every day and I give full marks to their total cricket," said Ranatunga, adding his team's batting did not click. "We gave all our players some practise, but in the final Jayasinghe and Aravinda de Silva did not come up to expectations. Of course a batsman can't score every time and that

is that," he said. Ranatunga, 34, who led Sri Lanka to glory in the 1996 World Cup, termed Sri Lanka's recent good show in one-dayers as team effort with a strong batting line-up. "We do not have good bowlers who can bowl a side out on small scores. So we depend heavily on our batting," he acknowledged. Sri Lanka will fly to India to play a three-match Test series and as many one-dayers. "It will be a tough tour as India has a good team with a strong batting line-up," adding in jest, "they would be gunning to score heavily against us after we scored 951 in a Test against them earlier in the year."

BDR athletics

The annual athletics competition of Bangladesh Rifles inter-sector teams began at the Peshkhana yesterday, reports UNB. Deputy Director General of BDR Brigadier Mohammad Abdur Rab inaugurated the competition as the chief guest. A total of nine sector teams — Mymensingh, Rangpur, Dinajpur, Sylhet, Kustia, Rajshahi, Comilla, Khulna and Dhaka — are taking part in the competition. The competition will conclude on November 16, said a press release.



A smiling South African captain Hansie Cronje holds aloft the quadrangular cricket tournament trophy after receiving it from Pakistan President Farooq Ahmed Leghari (R) in Lahore on Nov 8. The Africans beat the world champions by four wickets. — AP/UNB photo

Tender Notice
Supply of different sizes pipes and bibcocks at the store of Bhola Diesel Power Station. Eligibility of contractor : Sealed tenders in the Board's usual Form No T-2 are invited from Power Development Board enlisted A/B/C/D class contractors/experienced supplier firms. Estimated cost : Taka 74,334/50. Price of tender: Taka 60/=.

Directorate General Defence Purchase
Ministry of Defence
New Airport Road
Tejgaon, Dhaka-1215
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1. Sealed tenders in local and foreign currency are invited from bonafide manufacturers/suppliers/dealers/indentors (Not necessarily enlisted with DGDP) for supply of the following items for Bangladesh Air Force:-

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Monday 10th November
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