

## Column One

DID U' KNOW?  
(The Professor does)

**T**HAT James I (1566-1625) was King of England from 1603 and Scotland (as James VI) from 1567. The son of Mary Queen of Scots and her second husband, Lord Darnley, he established a strong centralised authority, and in 1589 married Anne of Denmark (1574-1619). He alienated the Puritans by his High Church views and Parliament by his assertion of the divine right of kings, and was generally unpopular. As King of Scotland, he curbed the power of the nobility. He thwarted Guy Fawkes's plot to blow up the British Parliament during its opening in 1605.

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COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

## Competition-89

## ✓ Tick the Correct Answers

Competition closes at 8 pm on March 6, 1998

1 Who clinched the Div I cricket title?

Orient SC S Bima Victoria

2 Which country became Davis Cup Asia/Oceania Zone Group 1 champions?

Bangladesh UAE Bahrain

3 What is Pat Symcox's highest score in Test cricket?

108 109 110

4 Who won the Paris Open tennis tournament?

Novotna Huber Pierce

5 Who is the manager of Chelsea FC?

Gullit Vialli Del Piero

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## SPORTS TALK



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## Mohammedans hit by plague

Sports Reporter

A brilliant all-round performance by former national opener Athar Ali Khan guided Biman to a comfortable seven-wicket win over co-leaders Mohammedan Sporting Club in the inaugural match of the Janakantha Premier super league played at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday.

Before the start of play, a two-minute silence was observed by the players and officials in memory of Indian cricketer Raman Lamba who died last Monday in a city hospital after sustaining a severe head injury while fielding.

Athar, the tall Biman cricketer, took two wickets in the morning session to restrict Mohammedans to a moderate total of 194 for nine in the stipulated 50 overs and then went on to score a fluent 45 to help the national airlines reach 197 for three with four overs to spare.

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with one-down Habibul Bashar.

The combination was broken when the right-handed opener drove left-arm medium pacer Jahangir Alam Talukdar into the safe hands of Mohammad Rafique at the mid-off. In

his 64-ball innings, Athar hit seven boundaries including three of Hasibul in the 11th over.

After Athar had laid the foundation, it was Hasibul Bashar and experienced Pakistani middle order Mansoor Akhtar, who thriving on the momentum, scored a match-winning 113 runs for the third wicket.

Hasibul, who top-scored with a flawless 78 off 115 balls including a huge six and three fours, fell with Biman only four runs away from victory. The national team batsman was completely misled by a googly from Pakistani leg-spinner Shahed Mahmud which went between his bat and pad before hitting the middle stump.

Mansoor Akhtar, the elder of the two Pakistani recruits of Biman, and Hasanuzzaman collected the remaining runs without further ado.

Mansoor, who faced 88 deliveries, was not out on 58 inclusive of four boundaries while Hasanuzzaman was unbeaten on four.

Earlier, put into bat, the Mohammedans' top order failed to live up to their potential in the face of some inspirational bowling from Pakistani leg spinner Manzoor Akhtar and medium pacer Athar Ali Khan who shared six wickets.

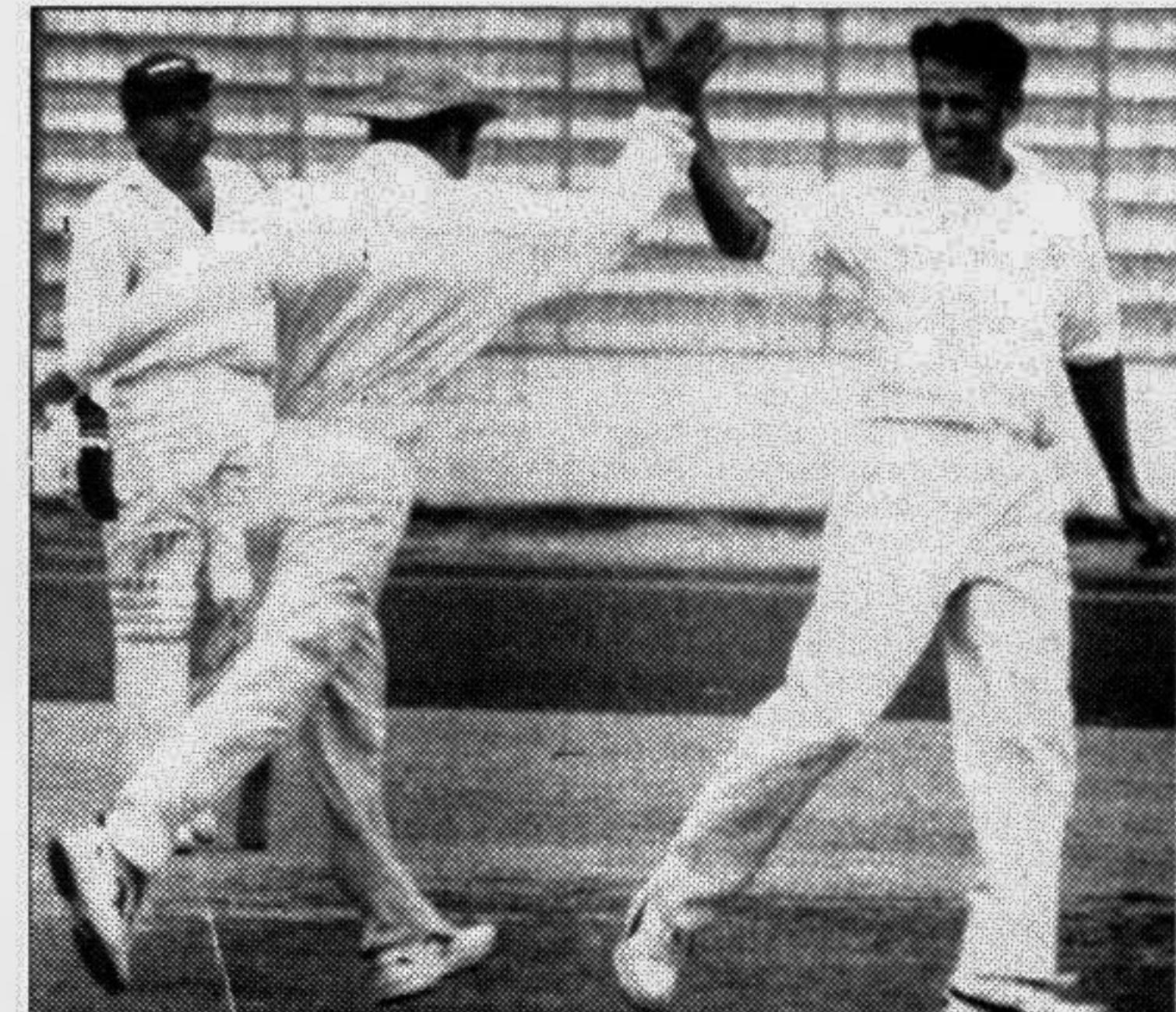
Manzoor, who ripped through the Mohammedans' lower order, finished with four for 49 from his ten overs while Athar captured two for 35 including the prized wicket of top scorer Minhalzul Abedin.

One-down Minhalzul, with a workmanlike 41 off 60 balls

including three fours, and lower middle Mohammad Rafique, who hammered 31 of 26 balls with one six and three fours,

were the leading Mohammedan run-getters. Besides, middle order Mehrab Hossain added 25 runs.

It was the third successive defeat for Mohammedans in 12 matches so far while Biman posted their seventh win against five defeats.



Biman's Pakistani recruit Manzoor Akhtar (C) rushes in to congratulate Athar Ali Khan (R) after the veteran all-rounder had taken the wicket of Mohammedan skipper Aminul Islam (not in picture) yesterday. — Star photo

PARIS, Feb 27 (AP): Italian league leaders Juventus, still four points clear on top of the table, will be looking to put two consecutive defeats firmly behind them this weekend they turn out against Bari.

The champions' morale badly needs a boost after defeats in both the Italian Cup and the Serie A last week.

Filippo Inzaghi returns to partner Alessandro Del Piero in the most prolific attack in Italy, but they will be without midfielder Antonio Conte, who is still recovering from a muscle injury.

Ageno Di Livio will fill in, while French midfielders Zidane and Didier Deschamps are back from Wednesday's 3-3 draw against

Bari, currently three points above the relegation zone, will not be at full strength. They will be without talented South African striker Phil Masinga who is on international duty in the African Nations' Cup final at Burkina Faso.

All three of Italy's top sides are playing a day early because of European Cup commitments next week.

Inter Milan host relegation-bound Napoli at San Siro Saturday night, while Lazio, level on 44 points with Inter but ahead on goal difference, are away to Atalanta.

Inter winger Francesco Mori pulled a thigh muscle during a friendly win over Swiss side St Gallen, but is expected to pass a fitness test, while Chilean striker Ivan Zamorano is ready after three weeks out through injury.

Nigerian Nwankwo Kanu, the only bright spot in last Sunday's 3-0 defeat to Lazio, should be rewarded for that performance and a goal he scored against St Gallen with his first start of the season, alongside

Ronaldo. Lazio face an Atalanta side who are third from bottom but not to be underestimated on their home turf at Bergamo.

Croatian striker Alan Bokšić will lead the Lazio attack alongside Roberto Mancini, with Italian international centre-forward Pierluigi Casiraghi ready on the substitutes' bench for the second half.

SPAIN: The title race sees leaders Barcelona travel to Rayo Santander on Monday, while second-placed Real Madrid, who trail the Catalan side by two points having played a game more, face a tough match with early season pacesetters Majorca.

Majorca, who were promoted last summer, are currently riding the crest of the wave after reaching a cup final showdown with Barcelona while Real Madrid, who face the first-leg of their European Cup quarter-final ways at Bayer Leverkusen next Wednesday, are riven by internal disputes.

Club president Lorenzo Sanz has been less than impressed by the side's performances and has apparently made overtures to Juventus coach Marcello Lippi and Frenchman Arsene Wenger at Arsenal to replace current incumbent Jupp Heynckes next season.

FRANCE: The French Cup quarterfinals, spread over Friday and Saturday, feature a Rayo derby with Monaco playing host to bitter rivals Marseille. Both sides approach the tie in less than convincing form.

Monaco, the reigning champions who won the last of their cup successes in 1991, received a sharp jolt last weekend when they were beaten 1-0 by Bastia.

Like Bayern, Kaiserslautern will start hot favourites for their league match host Karlsruhe.

Another defeat for Karlsruhe would usher in hard times indeed but Schaefer says he is taking the pressure calmly.

GERMANY: FC Cologne's suspended Austrian striker Toni Polster has told team-mates not to be overawed at the prospect of playing Bayern Munich at the Bundesliga on Saturday.

The week-long suspension of Polster means that Iranian Khodadad Azizi will get his chance in Cologne's attack.

Bayern, who trail Kaiserslautern by five points, will be without winger Mario Basler who has returned with a slightly pulled leg muscle from Germany's international in Saudi Arabia last Sunday but their Ghanaian Sammuel Kufour, who has returned unscathed from the African Nations Cup, will be on duty.

Besides, Radhika Tulpule of India and Ko Kuan Ming of Chinese Taipei emerged as the boys' doubles champions at the 12th Bangladesh International Junior tennis tournament yesterday at the Ramna Tennis Complex.

On the penultimate day of the five-day meet, Vijay and Ko recorded a 6-0, 1-6, 6-2 win over Indians AV Rao and Karan Doctor in the final.

Besides, Radhika Tulpule of India and Dominika of Czech Republic clinched the girls' doubles title with a 6-3, 6-4 victory over Sheetal Goutam and Srujan Dhawan of India.

Both Vijay and Dominika have the chance to go for the double as they have also qualified for the singles finals.

Vijay meets compatriot S Zamani while Dominika is pitted against Indian national champion Uzma Khan this afternoon.

The Rennes reverse was the 1993 European Cup winners

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