

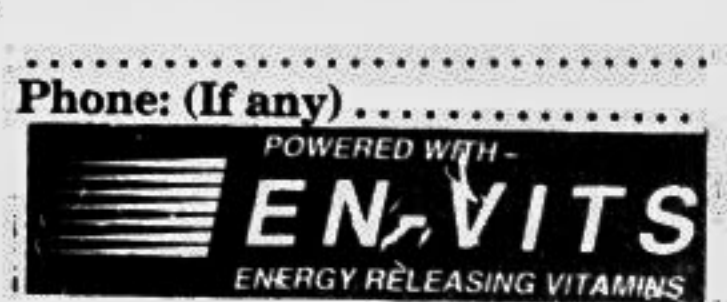
Column One

Roost sports WHIZZ KID

COMPETITION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN Competition-91 Tick the Correct Answers Post to Daily Star Win attractive prizes Competition closes at 8 pm on April 3, 1998

- 1 Who are the winners of Janakantha Premier cricket league? 2 How many goals did Nakib score in the recently concluded Premier Division football league? 3 Which country will host the 1998 World Cup? 4 West Indies fast bowler Franklin Rose comes from? 5 How many teams will participate in the ICC knock-out in Dhaka next October?

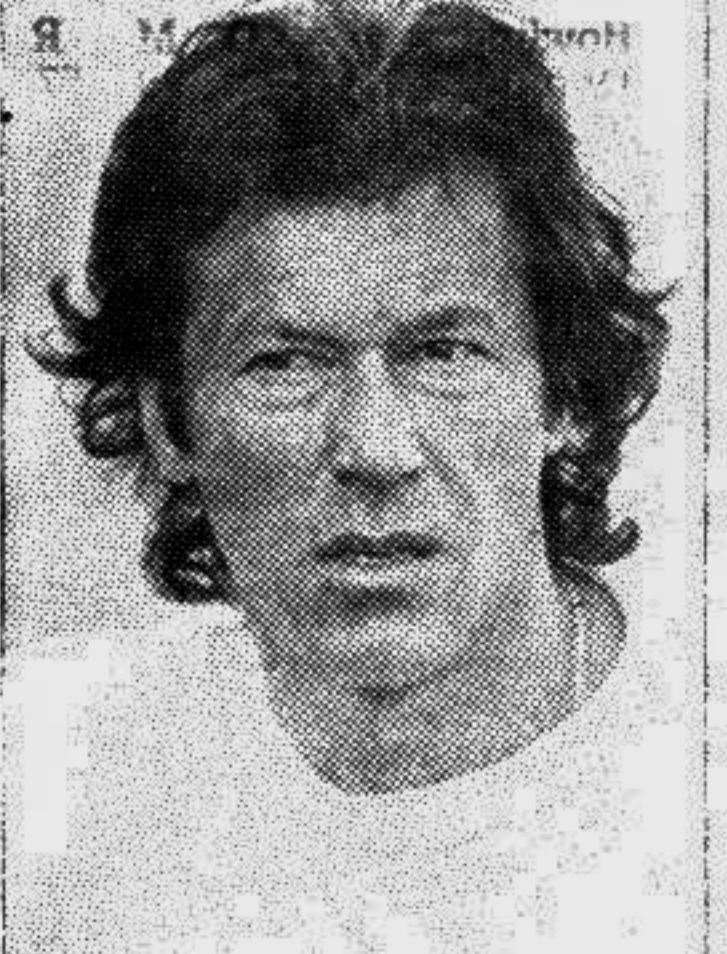
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DID U KNOW? (The Professor does)

THAT athletes' foot has nothing to do with either athletics or athletes. It is the commonest type of ringworm, affecting the skin between the toes. A fungal infection, it is highly contagious. The medical name is tinea pedis. But then what is ringworm? It is any of various contagious skin infections due to related kinds of fungus, usually resulting in circular, itchy, discoloured patches covered with scales or blisters.

SPORTS TALK



Imran Khan (Pakistani cricket legend) "Pakistan has had very few problems with their bowling. The batting lacks polish and this can be attained only if we have a stronger and better domestic scene."

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh Director of Archeology Dhaka Regional Director's Office 13A/4A, Block-B, Babar Road Mohammadpur, Dhaka-1207 Tender Notice

Sealed tenders are invited from experienced suppliers/contractors/firms for supplying reference books for research work of Dhaka Regional Director's Office of the Directorate of Archeology. Schedule consisting detailed informative description can be purchased at Tk 400/- (four hundred) each from the above-mentioned office. Tenders will be sold during office hours up to 29.3.98 and will be received up to 12:00 Noon of 2.4.98 and will be opened immediately afterwards in presence (if any) of the tenderers. Attested copy of trade licence of the current financial year, Income Tax & financial solvency certificate, experience certificate on similar work should be submitted with the tender. Two and half per cent of the quoted price as earnest money must be submitted with the tender through Pay Order/Bank Draft (refundable) in favour of the Regional Director. Any erasing/overwriting etc. in quoting rate in the book will not be acceptable. The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any tender without assigning any reason. The % of commission to be offered by the tenderer shall have to be mentioned.

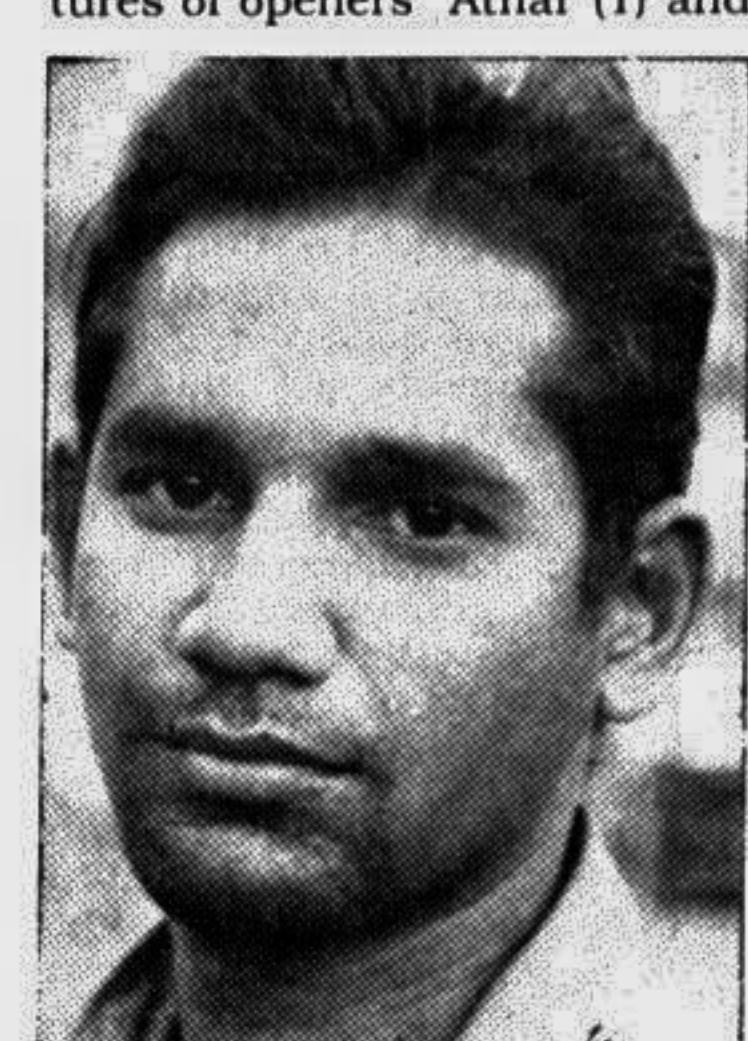
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Manohar and Debang light the Wills fire No more smoking for BCB XI

Sports Reporter side match, thanks to some re-scored batting from wicket-keeper Atiar Rahman and middle-order Habibul Bashar who contributed 84 and 54 runs. Following the cheap departures of openers Athar (1) and

BRIEF SCORES

WILLS XI: 283 for four in 50 overs (Manohar 131, Debang Gandhi 95, Rohan 14, Mushfiq 2/37, Anis 2/48) BCB XI: 231 for eight in 50 overs (Atiar 84, Habibul 54, F Muntasir 21, Sajjad 19, Azam 12, Mushfiq 12 n.o.) Result: Wills XI won by 52 runs.



HABIBUL ... 54 Azam Iqbal (12), it was Atiar and Habibul who put the BCB XI together to take the team to a respectable position with each scoring a half century.

It was learnt that Atiar, who scored highest 84, played almost a run-a-ball innings which included three over-boundaries while the analysis of Bashar's patient knock of 54 could not be known. Apart from those two, Fahim Muntasir and Sajjad Ahmed added 21 and 19 runs while Mushfiq was undefeated on 12. Among the Indians, Madhukar and Padmanavan evened shared four wickets among them. Ives while medium-pace V. Katesh Prasad captured the lone wicket of Athar Ali. Earlier, batting first, the fighting Wills XI total of 283 for four was due mainly to superb batting by India batsmen Dhanil Monohar and Debang Gandhi. Monohar hammered 131 while Debang missed his century for only five runs. Among others, Rohan Gavaskar scored 14 runs. Left-arm medium-pace Anisur Rahman and Mushfiq evened shared the four Indian wickets conceding 48 and 37 runs respectively. The BCB XI is likely to play a few exhibition matches in Delhi before returning home.

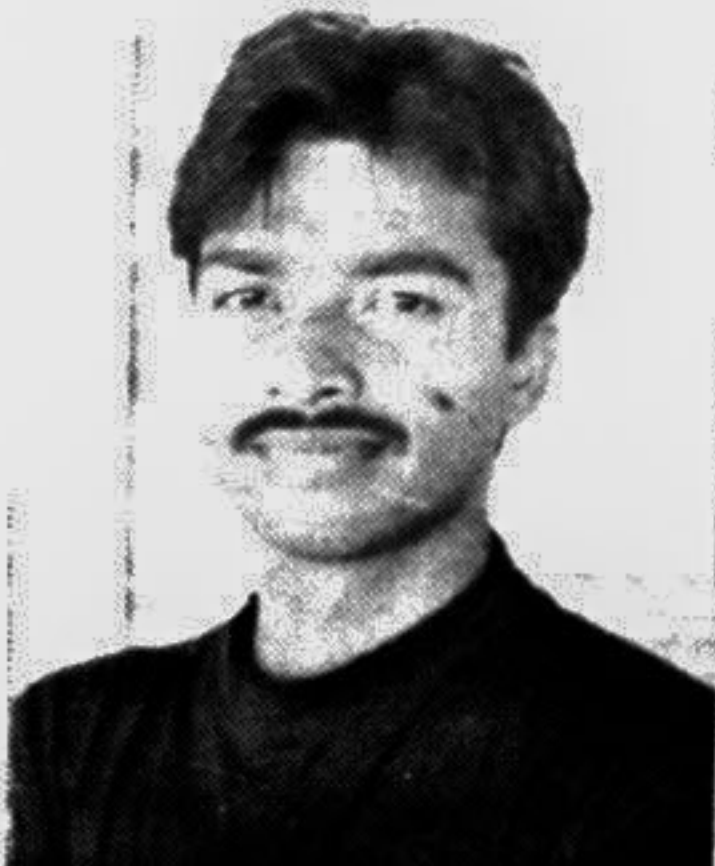
Akram may sing KCCA the blues

Sports Reporter Bangladesh will face KCCA Blues in a crucial pool A match of the 17th Wills Cup tournament at the Karachi National Stadium this morning. After their emphatic 116-run victory over Bahawalpur in their second match on March 17, Bangladesh, who are taking part in the tournament under the banner of BCB XI, is expected to field a full side today with skipper Akram Khan having joined the team in Karachi last night.

Veteran middle-order Moinul Haque, who played for Abahani in the domestic cricket early this season, will lead the KCCA Blues which also includes Mansoor Akhter, Basit Ali, Shahed Mahbub and Arif Mahmood. For Bangladesh, who lost their opening pool match to Habib Bank - a victory in today's match will keep their hopes alive for a berth in the eight-team final round. KCCA Blues, who have already won against Customs and Bahawalpur, will move into the final round if they can manage a victory today. The BCB XI will face Customs while KCCA Blues will face Habib Bank in their last robin league match on March 23.

Faruque injured

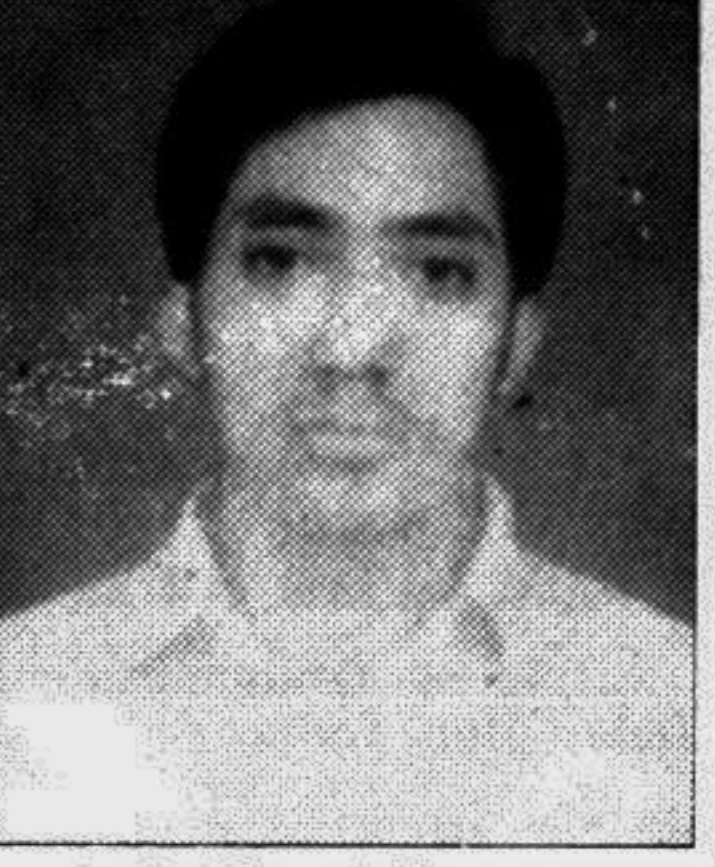
By Staff Correspondent Cricketer Faruque Ahmed has been seriously injured. Faruque was hit by a bouncer at the Gulshan Park yesterday playing in a friendly match.



The ball went through the visor of his helmet and dealt a nasty blow on the bridge of his nose. Profusely bleeding, he was immediately taken to the nearby Japan-Bangladesh Friendship Hospital where he had undergone a 40-minute surgery for fixing the nose bone which was fractured in four places. The operation was performed by ENT Specialist Dr Moinul Hafeez. He will have X-rays of the nose and a CT Scan today to ascertain the exact nature of the damage.

Cricket league comes to end

VICTORIA SC: 231 for four in 50 overs (Imran 110 n.o., Matur 40, Pappu 29, extras 24; Bappi 2/54, Sentu 1/35, Sumon 1/48). AZAD SC: 212 for all in 45.5 overs (Sumon 64, Bappi 58, extras 18; Alamin 3/29, Timir 3/43, Lahu 2/49). Result: Victoria SC won by 19 runs.



IMRAN ... 110 n. o. Victoria Sporting Club defeated Azad Sporting Club by 19 runs in the last match of the Janakantha Premier Division cricket relegation league at the Dhaka Stadium yesterday, reports UNB.

Electing to bat after winning the toss, Victoria scored 231 for four in the stipulated 50 overs. Imran hammered an unbeaten 110 runs off 148 balls with eleven hits across the rope. Bappi claimed two wickets while Sentu and Sumon took one apiece. In reply, Azad were dismissed for 212 in 45.5 overs. Sumon scored highest 64 off 81 deliveries with six fours. Al-Amin and Timir captured three wickets each.

WHIZZ KID-90 correct answers

- 1: Who won the fourth United Insurance International Masters' chess title? Ans: Nguyen 2: How many ODI centuries have been scored by Pakistan opener Saeed Anwar? Ans: 15 3: Who keeps wicket for South Africa? Ans: Boucher 4: Emerging tennis star Anna Kurnikova is Ans: Russian 5: Who lifted the girl's singles title of the 12th Bangladesh International junior tennis championships? Ans: Uzma

FRANCE '98 SIDELINES

UNDATED, Mar 20 (AP): Bulgarian international footballer Stoichkov, who was let go by FC Barcelona last week, announced Thursday he had signed for his former club, CSKA Sofia. Speaking to reporters after dining with several former Barcelona teammates, Stoichkov said he would travel to Sofia for the team's game this weekend. Earlier this week it had been rumoured that Stoichkov might sign for Spanish side Compostela - where fellow Bulgarian Luboslav Penev plays - to prepare for the World Cup.

NAKATA NOT BOTHERED

Hidetoshi Nakata isn't camera shy. The Japanese midfielder will have a special camera following his every move in an upcoming televised professional game. Nakata, 21, has become a national hero since Japan won their first ever World Cup berth. Sporting tomato-coloured hair, a la Dennis Rodman, he is often seen on magazine covers and TV. Fans will get an even closer look at Nakata with the quasi-public NHK-TV assigning one of its 12 cameras for Japanese professional soccer for J-League coverage exclusively to him for the entire 90 minutes.

DAVID IN DOUBT

Leeds United captain David Hopkin is doubtful for Scotland's home friendly against

A reward for Ramprakash

Star Sport Monitor Mark Ramprakash has been rewarded for his outstanding form on his Test return with a place in England's one-day squad to face West Indies after the Test series is over. Ramprakash, player-of-the-match in the drawn fifth Test in Barbados last week, is in a party of 15 players for the five one-dayers starting on March 29.

David Graveney, chairman of the English selectors, said Ramprakash owed his call-up to his success in the last two Tests - his first games of the series - in which he hit a half-century followed by his maiden Test century of 154, according to news reports in West Indies.

England's one-day squad is based on the players who won the Champions' Trophy in Sharjah last December, even though Test captain Michael Atherton will be in charge instead of Adam Holoake, who is vice-captain. Batsmen Nick Knight and Graeme Hick, all-rounders Mark Ealham, Matthew Fleming and Ben Holoake, and pace bowler Dougie Brown, who were all in Sharjah, have been added to nine of the players currently on the West Indies tour.

SQUAD

Michael Atherton (captain), Dougie Brown, Robert Croft, Mark Ealham, Matthew Fleming, Dean Headley, Graeme Hick, Adam Holoake, Ben Holoake, Angus Fraser, Nick Knight, Mark Ramprakash, Jack Russell, Alec Stewart and Graham Thorpe

Rain hampers play in Antigua

Sports Reporter England were 25 without loss in 11 overs on the first day of the rain-interrupted sixth and final Test at the Recreation Ground in Antigua yesterday. West Indies captain Brian Lara won the toss and put the tourists in. source: INTERNET TEAMS WEST INDIES: Brian Lara (capt), Clayton Lambert, Philo Wallace, Shivnarine Chanderpaul, Carl Hooper, Roland Holder, Junior Murray, Curtly Ambrose, Franklyn Rose, Courtney Walsh, Dinanath Ramnarine. ENGLAND: Michael Atherton (capt), Alec Stewart, Mark Butcher, Nasser Hussain, Graham Thorpe, Mark Ramprakash, Jack Russell, Dean Headley, Andy Caddick, Angus Fraser, Phil Tufnell. Umpires: Steve Bucknor (Jamaica), Cyril Mitchell (South Africa).

GAZZA ON THE MOVE

England international Paul Gascoigne could be going to Middlesbrough. The Division One club, trying to regain its place in the Premier League, has agreed a 3-million-pound (4.95 million dollars) transfer fee with Glasgow Rangers for the injury-plagued Gascoigne, who is worried he might lose his place in the World Cup squad.

MCCOIST GETS BROWN BOOST

Scotland coach Craig Brown's suggestion recently that Ally McCoist was still in his plans for the World Cup has perked up the 35-year-old Rangers striker. McCoist, capped 58 times for Scotland, scored twice in a Scottish Cup quarterfinal replay against Dundee on Wednesday. Rangers won 2-1.

JOSE TO RESUME NATIONAL DUTY

Jose Chilavert, the Paraguayan 'keeper who scores goals besides blocking opponents' shots, will return to his national team for a World Cup tuneup match against Colombia at the Yale Bowl, his coach said Thursday. The match is scheduled for March 29 at the New Haven, Connecticut stadium. Chilavert, 32, who was not lined up for recent matches against the United States and Mexico, threatened to resign if coach Paulo Carpegiani continued to line up Julio Romero in his place. Chilavert has won three Argentine championships plus a Libertadores Cup and an Intercontinental Cup with his team Velez Sarsfield. He often scores on penalties and free shots both for Velez and Paraguay.

Another Diego farce

BUENOS AIRES, Mar 20: A lawyer for Diego Maradona said Thursday the star will not make a return to soccer with a Second Division team in Argentina, reports AP.

"Unfortunately, we do not believe this is the best moment for Diego to join All Boys," Guillermo Coppola said. "He needs to resolve a few things." Maradona, 36, had announced his intention to return to soccer last month while vacationing in Rio de Janeiro. After testing positive for drug use in October, Maradona retired from soccer, saying the pressure had taken a toll on his family. But he later said he would reconsider the decision if his family asked him.

RHD, Quotation Inviting Notice (2nd Call)

- 1. Tender Notice No : 04/97-98. 2. Name of works : Carrying of 2 Nos Pontoon (Pontoon No PM 22 & 23) and Utility Type-II ferry (Ferry No 002/79) from Fenchuganj ferry ghat under Sylhet Road to Thakrukona Ferry under Road Divn, Netrakona Road Divn in 2 (two) groups. As per schedule. (Ch to: ATC Road Divn, Netrakona). 3. Estimated cost : As per schedule. 4. Earnest money : 2% of the estimated cost. 5. Time allowed : As per mentioned in the schedule. 6. Entitled contractors : A to C general categories of contractor under RHD, D general category contractors under MechI, Ferry Circle, Dhaka and E general category contractors under Ferry Construction Divn, Dhaka. 7. Name of offices : Executive Engineer, RHD, Ferry for selling tender documents Construction Divn, Dhaka/Ferry, Maintenance Divn, Dhaka/Ferry Divn, Sylhet/SDE RHD, Ferry, Construction Sub-Divn, Dhaka & SDE RHD, Ferry Sub-Divn, Faridpur. 8. Name of offices : Superintending Engineer, RHD, Ferry Circle, Dhaka/Executive Engineer, RHD, Ferry Construction Divn, Dhaka/Ferry Maintenance Divn, Dhaka/Sylhet. 29-3-98 Eng/15-12-1404 Beng. 9. Last date of selling tender documents during office hours 10. Last date & time : 30-3-98Eng/16-12-1404Beng. of receiving tenders 11. Date & time of : 1-4-98Eng/18-12-1404Beng. opening of all the tenders by the undersigned 12. Date & time of : 2-4-98Eng/19-12-1404 Beng. lottery (if applicable) Sealed tenders are hereby invited from entitled contractors mentioned above in prescribed schedule along with the BD Form No 2911. Tender if received after the fixed time will be treated as rejected. Tender will be opened and lottery (if applicable) will be drawn in the fixed date & time in presence of the interested contractors (if any). The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason. Executive Engineer, RHD Ferry Construction Divn House No 536, Rd No 11 DOHS, Baridhara, Dhaka. DFP-5779-16/3 G-532

CROSSWORD By Eugene Sheffer

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Cryptogram puzzle grid with letters and numbers. Includes text: W X T D V C R W D X R X Q G F H E A G W S Z U C H Q T V X M R F S A A ? W X N T Z T F N T H Z E Q X M U X Saturday's Cryptogram: AT THE BEACH THERE WERE ATHLETIC BODYBUILDERS WITH DYNAMITE MUSSEL TONE. Today's Cryptogram clue: R equals C The Cryptogram 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.