

Column One

DID U' KNOW?

(The Professor does)

That the winner of the ladies' 100 metres race at the 1932 Olympic games was in fact a man. Stella Walsh, a Polish-born American, had beaten the Canadian Hilda Strike by a few centimetres. Stella's true sex was discovered when she died in 1981, caught in the crossfire in a robbery at Cleveland, Ohio. The length some people will go to win an Olympic medal. But then it does not pay to steal.

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- How many centuries were scored in the third Sahara Cup?

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- Who earned the player-of-the-series in the Sahara Cup?

Alfidi	Azharuddin	Inzamam
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- Which county does Saqlain Mushtaq play for?

Surrey	Lancashire	Kent
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- The next Commonwealth Games will be held in:

Sydney	Toronto	Manchester
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- Who became Commonwealth cricket champions?

India	South Africa	Australia
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SPORTS TALK



Ajay Singh Jadeja

(Star Indian cricketer)
 "One lesson I have learnt is cricket, and the fate of cricketers, is extremely unpredictable, up one moment, down the next. It is like share prices of companies during economic upheaval, there are wild swings and great turbulence."

Ataur warned of consequences

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan, Oct 3: A Pakistani match-fixing inquiry today warned former Test bowler Ataur Rehman he could be jailed after he retracted an earlier statement accusing Wasim Akram, reports AFP.

The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) probe committee issued the warning after Ataur denied accusing leading pace bowler Wasim of match-fixing in a sworn statement. PCB legal advisor Sibtain Fazli said.

Fazli said from Lahore that high court judge Malik Mohammad Qayyum, who is heading the probe, asked Ataur "think it over" and adjourned the hearing until October 8.

Ataur, in his earlier affidavit, to the PCB inquiry, had alleged Wasim offered him 300,000 rupees (6,520 dollars) to bowl badly in a one-dayer against New Zealand at Christchurch in the 1993-94 season, Fazli said.

"Ataur has retracted his earlier statement before the PCB probe committee and said that the affidavit in the committee's possession is not his," Fazli said.

Wasim and Amir Sohail, who has been also summoned by the inquiry, could not appear today as they were playing in the first Test against Australia here.

An interim PCB report, based on evidence given by Ataur and eight others had implicated Wasim, Salim Malik and Ijaz Ahmed in match-fixing.



Action from the Green Delta First Division hockey league match between Victoria Sporting Club and Bangladesh Railway at the Moulana Bhasani Stadium yesterday. Victoria won 2-1. — Star photo

Green Delta Insurance hockey

Singh makes it look easy

Sports Reporter

Indian forward Iqbal Singh slammed his fifth hat-trick in the Green Delta Insurance First Division hockey league to guide leaders Bangladesh Sporting Club to a 5-0 win over a nine-man Bachelors' Club in their second leg clash at the Moulana Bhasani Stadium yesterday afternoon.

The match, extended over two days, was postponed on Friday after the first-half because of poor light with BSC leading 2-0. Iqbal, who also scored a goal in the second-half yesterday to mark his fifth hat-trick and 20th goal of the league. Without question, he remains the leading scorer of the eight-team league.

Iqbal also scored a hat-trick against Bachelors in the first leg which BSC won by four goals to nothing.

BSC, with eight wins in nine matches against a draw, remains the only unbeaten team. They raised their tally to 25 points and retained the top spot with an eight-point lead over second-placed Wari Club who have 17 points also from nine matches.

On the other hand, it was the fourth defeat for Bachelors which kept them stationary at their previous collection of 13 points on completion of their ninth match.

SHAMIM'S HAT TRICK
 In the two matches scheduled for the day, Sonali Bank blanked Dhaka Ansars 8-1 while Victoria Sporting Club posted a 2-1 win over Bangladesh Railway.

For Sonali Bank, Shamim struck four goals including a brilliant hat-trick while Rashid added two to the winners' credit. Besides, Kuddus and William scored one goal apiece for the bankers. Sasui Marma pulled one back for Ansars.

In the other match, Masood Rana and Danesh Kamal scored for Victoria while Monirul reduced the margin for Railway.

With their respective wins, Sonali Bank joined Wari Club at the second spot having raised their account to 17 points while Victoria remained at the bottom along with Ansars with each having four points from nine matches. Railway have ten points from nine matches.

No matches will be played today.

TOMORROW'S MATCHES

(Moulana Bhasani Stadium)
 Wari Club v Cantonian SC (2pm)
 Bangladesh SC v Dhaka Ansars (4pm)

Rain has the last say against Pepsi

Sports Reporter

Heavy rains washed out all the four matches billed for the inaugural day of the Pepsi 2nd ACC trophy in Kathmandu, Nepal, yesterday, according to a telephone message received here last night.

On the opening day of the ten-nation tournament, Bangladesh, the defending champions, were scheduled to meet 1996 semi-finalists Papua New Guinea (PNG) in their inaugural group A match at the Tribhuvan University ground.

But the match was postponed without a single ball being bowled because of the inclement weather and both teams were awarded a point each.

The fate of the day's other three matches were also same with six teams earning a point each without playing any match. The result yesterday put Bangladesh in an awkward position as they will now not only have to win their remaining three matches but maintain a better run-rate ahead of others for the group championship. Bangladesh are scheduled to meet Malaysia in their second match on the second strip of Institute of Engineering in Kathmandu tomorrow.

Mahbub earns ABI award



Lt Gen (retd) Mohammad Mahbubur Rahman, president of Bangladesh Olympic Association and former Chief of Bangladesh Army, earned the distinguished leadership award from the American Biographical Institute (ABI) for attaining high levels of professional and personal success nationally and internationally. A Bangladesh Olympic Association press release said yesterday, reports BSS.

The name of General Mahbub has been selected for inclusion in the eighth edition of the International Directory of Distinguished Leadership for Outstanding Contributions to Contemporary Society.

The ABI has been providing the world with biographical reference volumes of immense value and this publication of these biographies is extremely important to the researchers of today as well as to future generations, the release added.

Div II soccer

Bashabo Tarun Sangha and Adamjee SCC won their respective matches of the Metropolitan Second Division Football league at Mirpur Sher-e-Bangla National Stadium yesterday, reports APB.

Bashabo Tarun Sangha defeated Abhijatrik Malibagh 3-0. Mazhar, Sohel and Monir scored the goals in the first session.

In the other match of the day, Adamjee SCC beat Jurain Janata Club 2-1. The first half was locked at 1-1.

Ayub scored both the goals for Adamjee. Rubel scored the lone goal for Jurain.

Aussies assert themselves



RAWALPINDI, Oct 3: Australia, helped by a brilliant 157 from Steve Waugh, were in the driving seat against Pakistan with a 244-run lead at stumps on the third day of the first cricket Test here today, reports AFP.

Darren Lehmann's gritty 98 also contributed to a commanding 513 all out for the tourists, with record-equalling wicket-keeper Ian Healy further frustrating the home team with a plucky 82.

Pakistan now face an uphill task to save the Test with two days to play.

"We have saved Tests from this position... we saved a match form this position at this very ground four years ago," Pakistani captain Aamir Sohail said.

"All I need from my batsmen is for them to put their heads down and bat seriously," he added.

From a precarious 28-3 Australia added 485 runs before being dismissed with Michael Slater and Waugh both playing superb innings.

Darren and Steve started the day at 237-4 and added 56 runs in the first hour. The Pakistani bowlers failed to trouble the partnership as the pair ran up 115 runs in the first session.

Sohail took the new ball in the 93rd over with Australia on 266-4, with the visitors overhauling Pakistan's first innings total of 269 in the same over.

Lehmann, in only his second Test, survived a confident bat-pad catch appeal off Mushtaq Ahmed when on five. He reached his second Test 50 in 113 minutes with eight fours.

The 100-run partnership came in 111 minutes off 158 balls.

Steve Waugh continued to bat unperturbed with some forceful driving and completed his 150 in 378 minutes off 318 balls.

He was finally out seven runs later in the second over when he was bowled trying to sweep left-armed Muhammad Hussain. His innings contained 11 fours and came off 181 balls and lasted 289 minutes.

Healy helped Lehmann add another 91 runs for the sixth wicket as the Pakistani bowlers tired.

The 28-year-old left-hander from South Australia was unlucky to miss his maiden century when he was bowled trying to sweep left-armed Muhammad Hussain. His innings contained 11 fours and came off 181 balls and lasted 289 minutes.

Australia's former captain Allan Border paid tribute to Lehmann's knock. "It was an absolutely superb innings and it was a tragedy that he missed out on a well-deserved century, but he should carry his head as it was a great innings," Border said. "Healy survived a dropped catch by Muhammad Wasim and a close run out call on his way to his 22nd half-century. Healy, who equalled countryman Rodney Marsh's record of most dismissals behind the stumps on day one, batted stubbornly in amassing 82 off 197 balls in 242 minutes with six fours."

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Wasim Akram with 3-111 was the pick of a mediocre Pakistani bowling attack.

SCOREBOARD

Scorecard at close of play on the third day of the first Test between Pakistan and Australia on Saturday:

PAKISTAN: First innings 269 (Saeed Anwar 145, Moin Khan 39; Stuart MacGill 5-66)

AUSTRALIA: First innings

(overnight 237-4)

Slater c Mohammad Wasim	108
b Mohammad Hussain	3
Taylor c Moin b Wasim Akram	0
Langer lbw b Wasim Akram	0
M Waugh lbw b Mushtaq	0
S Waugh c Mohammad Wasim	0
b Sohail	157
Lehmann b Mohammad Hussain	98
Healy c Mohammad Wasim b Saqlain	82
Fleming b Wasim Akram	8
Miller c and b Mushtaq	3
MacGill b Saqlain	21
McGrath not out	3
Extras: (lb-19, nb-11)	30
Total: (173.5 overs)	513
Fall of wickets: 1-11; 2-11; 3-28; 4-226; 5-352; 6-443; 7-459; 8-464; 9-504; 10-513.	

Bowler:	O	M	R	W
Akram	35	4	111	3
Mahmood	13	1	36	0
Mushtaq	41	7	115	2
Saqlain	41.5	9	112	2
M Hussain	20	3	66	2
Sohail	23	3	54	1

Umpires: Peter Willey (England) and Javed Akhter (Pakistan).



Australian Ian Healy watches his mistimed shot sky during his superb 82 on the third day of the first Test against Pakistan yesterday. — Internet photo

Tyson report delayed



LAS VEGAS, Oct 3: Nevada boxing authorities will have to wait a little longer to see what a team of psychiatrists has to say about the state of Mike Tyson's mind, reports AP.

And Tyson may have to wait even longer to try and get his boxing licence if his attorneys go ahead with plans to appeal to the Nevada Supreme Court in an effort to keep the public from seeing Tyson's psychiatric reports.

Attorneys for Tyson did not comment, but a source close to the Nevada Athletic Commission said Tyson's attorneys may be in court again Monday to seek a stay of a judge's ruling that opened the door for the records to be made public.

Reports from a five-day evaluation of the former heavyweight champion still hadn't been sent to the commission offices as of closing time Friday, four days after they were due.

Tyson attorney Jim Jimmerson said earlier he expected to have the documents sent to the commission by Monday at the latest.

But Tyson's lawyers indicated late Friday to the commission that they might continue the fight to keep the records from the public. If so, a tentative Oct 19 hearing date on Tyson's licence would presumably be moved back, jeopardising any chances of Tyson fighting this year.

Tyson's advisers have argued that the reports should be given only to the commission and not be made public because that would violate Tyson's right to confidentiality.

"There's going to be some embarrassing things in the report, I'm sure," Jimmerson said. Jimmerson said he expected the report to be some 30 to 50 pages and summarise a battery of tests and interviews that Tyson submitted to last week at Massachusetts General Hospital.

Boxing commissioners demanded the reports at a Sept 19 hearing and had set a hearing for Saturday to decide whether to licence Tyson. But when the reports were delayed so was the hearing and it is not expected to be held until at least Oct 19.

"I can't schedule a hearing until we have the documents,"

said Marc Ratner, executive director of the commission.

Jimmerson went to court Thursday to try to block the documents from becoming public information. But a judge, though saying he was sympathetic to Tyson, said he could find no state statute that would prevent their release as public records.

Jimmerson said after the ruling that he doubted it would be appealed.

The suit was the latest twist in Tyson's increasingly complex battle to regain the boxing licence stripped from him for biting Evander Holyfield's ears.

In addition to the tests, Tyson is expected to be grilled over an Aug 31 traffic accident in Maryland in which two men claim he assaulted him.

While Tyson's attorneys have been negotiating with attorneys for the two men in hopes of reaching a settlement before the commission hearing, he is still scheduled to stand trial Oct 19 for the incident.

No negotiations are underway to drop the second-degree assault charges, and prosecutors say they plan to go ahead with the case.

Kazakhs walk over Bangladesh youths

Sports Reporter

The visiting Kazakhstan youth volleyball team concluded their Bangladesh tour on an all-win note when they thrashed the Bangladesh national youth team by 107-44 points at the Dhanmondi basketball gymnasium yesterday.

The winners, who enjoyed clear supremacy, often too embarrassing, over their Bangladesh counterparts with their better standard of play and physical advantage, led the first half 48-21.

Prof. Rashiduddin Ahmed, president of Bangladesh Amateur Basketball Federation, witnessed yesterday's match and gave away prizes among the participants.

The tourists will return home today.

33rd Chess Olympiad Lithuania beat our men, women draw with Italy

Sports Reporter

Bangladesh lost their fourth round clash to powerful Lithuania by 1-3 points in the 33rd Chess Olympiad in Elista, Russia, on Friday, according to a message received here yesterday.

Although the details of the four matches could not be collected, it was gathered that IM Reefat-bin-Sattar and Enamul Hossain Rajib drew their respective boards while IM Ziaur Rahman and Abdollah Al-Rakib lost theirs against the all-GM former Soviet Republic.

With the loss, Bangladesh, who won their previous two

rounds against Holland and New Zealand, earned nine points out of a possible 16, which keeps them among the top 36 in the table of 110 nations.

Bangladesh were scheduled to play against Greece in the fifth round yesterday.

Hosts Russia, who beat USA in the fourth round by 2.5 to 1.5 points, are now leading the table with 12.5 points followed by Russia's "second string" and Yugoslavia, who have 12 points each. USA were pulled down to third place with their 11.5 points.

In the women's group, Bangladesh forced a 1.5-1.5 draw with Italy.

Syeda Shabana Parveen Nipa won her board while Tanima Parveen shared the point with her opponent. Eleven times national women champion IWM Rani Hamid lost her board.

Chattala Cup Regency's

CHITTAGONG, Oct 3: Regency Sports Club earned the championship of Chattala Cup football beating Abahani Krira Chakra by 2-1 in the final at MA Aziz Stadium here today, reports BSS.

The scheduled time of the match ended in 1-1.

Regency scored the Golden Goal during the extra time.

They took the lead in the 15th minute when their Iraqi player Jashim Mehedi netted the ball of a cross from Tipu (1-0).

Just three minutes later Swapan of Abahani made the equaliser by a spectacular back-volley.

Regency scored match-winning goal in the 9th minute of extra time while Tipu sent the ball home by a header (2-1).

Bangladesh Sports Journalists Association Chittagong unit awarded Bakteyar of Abahani as the best-player-of-the-tournament.

Minister for Civil Aviation and Tourism Engineer Mosharraf Hossain distributed prizes among the winners as chief guest.



Hawaiian-born sumo grand champion Taro Akebono (L) and his bride Christine Reiko Kalina raise wooden measures of sake during their reception in Tokyo yesterday. — AP/UNB photo



France's World Cup winning team's coach Aime Jacquet holds up a replica of the Cup during a visit to his home village of Sail-sous-Couzan near St Etienne in central France on October 3. — Internet photo