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John Kelly of Derbyshire achieved a remarkable analysis against Lancashire at Old Trafford on July 5, 1955 and the press gave it some prominence. It read: 0 overs, 0 maidens, 4 runs, 0 wickets. His first and only delivery was a no-ball, hit for four by Jack Dyson.

TALK TURKEY




Steve Waugh
(Australia cricket captain)

"Technology is not up to the mark. It's not clear for the third umpire whether the batsman is out or not. It's tough to say who is right and wrong."

While complaining against the use of TV replays during the Test series against India recently.

What to WATCH



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Harare diary

Cricket

Al-AMIN, from Harare

Test cricket is all about discipline, character and professionalism. But these things seemed to be in wanting among the players of Bangladesh as well as the organisers of the game.

Starting from the preparation for the much-awaited first tour of Bangladesh, nothing had gone in a planned way as yet.

The makeshift selection panel of Saber Hossain Chowdhury and Syed Ashraful Huq picked a 15-man team apparently with a little knowledge of the conditions here. Their selection of only three fast bowlers against two left-arm spinners and a docile off-spinner in captain Naimur Rahman had left coach Trevor Chappell with a limited option to field a best possible side.

Bangladesh suffered a predictable 3-0 defeat in the one-day series and lost the first Test by an innings and 32 runs.

Tour manager Mahabubul Anam was handling team affairs quite well. No one uttered a single word against the team discipline until came the third night of the first Test in Bulawayo.

A couple of players were seen hopping into a car in front of the Hotel Holiday Inn at around 11 pm and nobody knew when they had returned.

None would object to what they do off the field as long as players keep themselves fit and could give their hundred per cent on the field the next day. But our

players seem to have attracted to a different school of cricket.

Young members of Bangladesh team suddenly discovered that 'drinking beer' is good for health and a few claimed that team physio John Gloster had spoke for it.

"I did not tell them to drink beer but, then, I do not condone it," said the Australian physio during the last practice session in Bulawayo on Monday.

Gloster also added that when a player is on tour he has his own way of relaxing and taking time-out.

"They are all adults, and form 5.30pm to 8 am it is their time. They are old enough to know what they should be doing with their bodies because they are all advised," said Gloster. He however said that he wanted the players to give their hundred per cent from 8 o'clock next morning.

But if the youngsters continue to be fans of a different culture, they would for sure land up in big trouble with their career down the line.

MASOOD LEAVES FOR DHAKA

Injured wicketkeeper Khaled Masood left Harare for home today. The vice-captain fractured his right ankle during a warm-up session before the start of the third day's play of the Bulawayo Test.

But before his departure, Masood was severely reprimanded by team physio John Gloster as he turned up 25 minutes late at the Queens Sports Club. Masood and Gloster were scheduled to meet a doctor for the X-ray check-up at

9 am. After meeting the doctor, Gloster said that the gloveman had been asked to keep the plaster on for about six weeks. Masood's teammates however wished him to get well soon by signing their autographs on the plaster.

TIME FOR TEAM SHOW

The national team reached Harare on Monday night to play their second and final Test, starting from April 26.

Cricketers drilled in the morning for an hour, but coach Trevor Chappell had decided to give them a break in the afternoon. The team planned to visit Lion's Park, but decided against it later.

Inspired by some brilliant individual performances, Bangladesh, who lost their first Test in Bulawayo by an innings and 32 runs, however appeared determined to do well as a team this time.

Despite a lot-to-be-improved fielding-catching and the second innings batting wobble, it can be safely said that the Test newcomers had a good beginning.

Javed Omar Belim's 85 not out in the second innings and 60-odd in the first and left-arm seamer Mojuirul Islam's fantastic 6/81 in the first innings were definitely something to cheer about.

Besides, Aminul Islam's 86 in the first innings after his magnificent 115 in the inaugural Test against India was another high point for the cricket-crazy South Asian nation.

The biggest compliment for Monjurul came when Zimbabwe's Australian coach Carl Rackemann said that he was the best bowler from both sides in the first Test.

Bangladesh Test report

Cricket

LENIN GANI

Bangladesh once again found itself trapped on the back foot on the fourth day of their second-ever Test. The newcomers to the longer-version lost the first Test to Zimbabwe by an innings and 32 runs in Bulawayo on Sunday.

So how did Naimur Rahman's team fare in their maiden away Test? That is an interesting point. Let us attempt to evaluate each member of the team.

NAIMUR RAHMAN (Runs: 28, Innings: 2, Average: 14, HS: 22, Wicket: 1)

The right-hander and off-spinner hardly made an impression both with bat and ball. His tactical ability was also very questionable.

(Four out of ten)

MEHRAB HOSSAIN (Runs: 16, Innings: 2, Average: 8, HS: 16)

May be it is time the selectors reconsidered whether the young right-hander has a future in Test cricket. Based on his performance so far it appears that Mehrab's lack of temperament means he would be better off opening the innings at one-day level.

(Three out of ten)

JAVED OMAR (Runs: 147, Innings: 2, Average: 147, HS: 85*)

Javed seized his opportunity to play at the highest level with back-to-back half-centuries. Won plenty of praise from none other than England great Ian Botham, who believed he could get into any Test side today. The hallmark of his batting was the ability to play each

ball on its merits. Should prosper in the years ahead.

(Eight out of ten)

HABIBUL BASHAR (Runs: 24, Innings: 2, Average: 12, HS: 24)

Couldn't produce the kind of form he showed against India in the inaugural Test last November. The immensely gifted middle-order batsman scored 71 on debut in Dhaka against Sourav Ganguly's team.

(Four out of ten)

AMINUL ISLAM (Runs: 95, Innings: 2, Average: 47.50, HS: 84)

The country's lone debutant Test centurion was closing in on his second consecutive three-figure mark but was undone by a brief lapse in concentration. In the second innings after looking pretty set for another long vigil at the crease he fell. A lot was expected from the seasoned campaigner.

(Six out of ten)

AKRAM KHAN (Runs: 29, Innings: 2, Average: 14.50, HS: 21)

Only a brilliant piece of fielding by Andy Bignaut prevented burly Akram Khan from making his presence felt in the first innings. However, in the second innings there was no excuse for the shot that brought about the downfall of the big man from Chittagong.

(Four out of ten)

KHALED MASOOD (Runs: 30, Innings: 1, Average: 30, HS: 30)

What a pity injury has abruptly ended Khaled Masood's Zimbabwe tour. The specialist wicketkeeper and feisty lower-order batsman, who was the third highest scorer (30) in the Bangladesh first innings, will be badly missed when the second and final Test starts on April 26. It will be inter-

esting to see who takes over the gloves.

(Five out of ten)

MUSHFIQUR RAHMAN (Runs: 6, Innings: 2, Average: 3, HS: 4, Wicket: 0)

Picked for his 'so called' all-round qualities, the right-arm seamer from Rajshahi was a major flop. His remodelled bowling action was neither penetrative nor was it able to keep runs down.

(Two out of ten)

HASIBUL HOSSAIN (Runs: 7, Innings: 2, Average: 3.50, HS: 6, Wicket: 2)

Considered the leading strike bowler in the country, Hasibul also did not do justice to his reputation. The right-arm seamer's only solace was picking up Zimbabwean first innings century-maker Guy Whittall and a well-set Grant Flower.

(Three out of ten)

MOHAMMAD SHARIF (Runs: 8, Innings: 2, Average: 4, HS: 8, Wicket: 1)

After promising start to the tour, the young medium-pacer from Narayanganj has already come to learn that playing in the 'big league' is totally a different prospect.

(Three out of ten)

MONJURUL ISLAM (Runs: 7, Innings: 2, Average: 7, HS: 6, Wicket: 6)

The left-arm seamer stamped his mark in Test cricket with fantastic figures of six for 81 from 35 overs. Had Bangladesh done a little better in the second innings perhaps the Khulna bowler could have captured a couple more wickets.

(Seven out of ten)

Moin out, Latif in

Cricket

REUTERS, Karachi

Former Pakistan cricket captain Moin Khan has been dropped from the provisional 20-man squad announced on Tuesday for next month's tour of England.

(Moin Khan) has been dropped because he has not been consistent behind the wickets in the recent past, chairman of selectors Wasim Bari told this news agency.

Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) director Munawwar Rana said the party of 16 players would be finalised within the next 48 hours.

"The announcement has been delayed because the fitness report on some of the players is still awaited," Rana said.

The omission of wicketkeeper Moin, who skipped Pakistan on their recent tour of New Zealand, was the major surprise. Rashid Latif, another former captain, took his place.

The 29-year-old Moin was replaced as captain earlier this month by Waqar Younis, with the PCB saying he had been advised to take a six-week rest because of a knee injury.



Pakistan in Zimbabwe in 1997-98, was the first player to accuse his teammates of deliberately throwing matches on the 1994-95 tour of South Africa.

Controversial paceman Shoaib Akhtar was named in the squad after the PCB received an "encouraging" report from the University of Western Australia, where he went for remedial work on his bowling action.

Akhtar was reported for a suspect bowling action in the fifth and final one-day international against New Zealand in February. He had earlier been reported for the same problem on the 1999-2000 tour of Australia.

Pakistan are due to fly to England on May 2 for two Tests against their hosts and the Nat-West tri-nation one-day series also involving Australia.

PROVISIONAL SQUAD

Saeed Anwar, Imran Farhat, Mohammad Wasim, Imran Nazir, Shahid Afridi, Faisal Iqbal, Inzamamul Haq, Yousof Youhana, Younis Khan, Salim Elahi, Abdur Razaq, Azhar Mahmood, Wasim Akram, Waqar Younis, Shoaib Akhtar, Mohammad Sami, Faez Akbar, Saqlain Mushtaq, Mushtaq Ahmad and Rashid Latif.

Zimbabwe side for 2nd Test

INTERNET, undated*

Zimbabwe Cricket Union has announced Tuesday the squad for the second and final Test against Bangladesh starting in Harare on April 26.

Bangladesh lost the first Test at Bulawayo on Sunday by an innings and 32 runs.

SQUAD

Heath Streak (captain), Guy Whittall (vice-captain), Andy Bignaut, Alistair Campbell, Stuart Carlisle, Dion Ebrahim, Andrew Flower, Grant Flower, Mluleki Nkala, Raymond Price, Gavin Rennie, Brighton Watambwa.

City Club canter

SPORTS REPORTER

Half-centuries from Pakistanis Wasim Nayeem and Rehan Rafique propelled City Club to their fifth win in the Premier Division Cricket Relegation League when they cruised to an eight-wicket win over Sadharan Bima at the Dhanmondi Stadium on Tuesday.

Wasim cracked a six and twelve boundaries in a whirlwind 63 off 33 balls while his compatriot Rafique hammered an unbeaten 52 off 54 balls with eight fours as City Club, chasing Bima's total of 160, took only 22.2 overs to reach 164.

Earlier, batting first, Bima could only muster 160 in 44.2 overs. Skipper Saiful Islam scored highest 62 off 94 balls with five fours.

SCORES IN BRIEF

Sadharan Bima: 160 all out in 44.2 overs (Saiful 62, Rezwan 26, Chopra 17, R Rafique 3/21)

City Club: 164 for two in 22.2 overs (Wasim 63, R Rafique 52 n.o., Ujjal 21 n.o.)

Result: City Club won by eight wickets.

School cricket scores

19th National School Cricket Championship 2000-2001

SPORTS REPORTER

Arun Chandra (AC) High School of Noakhali, Sher-e-Bangla High School of Natore and Kurigram Ulipur High School won their respective first round matches in the Standard Chartered 19th National School Cricket Championship at different zonal venues on Tuesday.

AC High School beat Rangamati Government High School by three wickets at the Majdee Stadium, Sher-e-Bangla High School handed Haji Ahmed Ali High School of Sirajganj a 40-run defeat at the Natore Stadium while Ulipur High School thrashed Lalmonirhat Government High School by 102 runs at the Kurigram Stadium.

SCORES IN BRIEF

Rangamati Govt. High School: 159 all out in 34.5 overs (Taron 56, Pappu 2/18)

AC High School: 160 for 7 in 35 overs (Roni 55, Mustafa 3/27)

Result: AC High School won by three wickets.

Sher-e-Bangla High School: 166 all out in 34.1 overs (Masud

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Dinanath, Leon warned severely

AFP, Kingston

West Indian cricketers Dinanath Ramnarine and Leon Garrick received a severe reprimand from match referee Mike Denness after the fifth and final Test against South Africa at Sabina Park Monday.

Denness said in a statement that Ramnarine, who was bowling, and Garrick, fielding at silly mid-off, had been guilty of showing dissent and attempting to intimidate an umpire after an appeal against South African batsman Jacques Kallis was turned down by Indian umpire Srinivas Venkatraghavan on the final morning.

When South African last man Paul Adams sliced a delivery from Mervyn Dillon to Marlon Samuels at backward point, the catcher was suddenly all alone. Everyone else was running towards Walsh at fine leg.

Dillon, who many in the Caribbean hope will go furthest to filling the gaping void created by Walsh's departure, leapt into his mentor's embrace and was immediately followed by the third fast bowler in the side, Cameron Cully.

Brian Lara, meanwhile, had persuaded umpire Steve Bucknor to part with the match ball and sprinted towards Walsh and his



Halim Shah of Biman, who scored 77, plays a sweep shot against Dhanmondi at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Tuesday.

Mahmud wrecks Dhanmondi

Cricket

SPORTS REPORTER

Skipper Khaled Mahmud bowled Bangladesh Bima to a convincing 86-run win over Dhanmondi Club in their second Super League clash of the Premier Division Cricket League at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Tuesday.

The veteran medium-pacer, gave away 29 runs for his second six-wicket haul in the league as Bima, defending a commanding 303 in 50 overs, shot out their opponents for 217 in 43.3 overs.

Mahmud missed out on becoming the second hat-trick-taker in the league when he bowled a wide in between his last three dismissals, which came from his first, second and third ball of the 44th over.

Brothers Union's off-spinner Saleh Ahmed took the league's first hat-trick.

However, he became the first bowler to have captured 30-plus wickets. He has bagged 34 so far.

Mahmud apart, off-spinner Ziaur Rashid took three for 42 runs.

Dhanmondi opener Sajjad Hasan top-scored with a 97-ball 75. It included two sixes and six

boundaries.

Earlier, after being put in, Bima's massive total was built around an unbeaten 105 from their Pakistani middle-order Majeed Sayeed. The right-hander faced only 77 balls for his second century, which featured a quartet of sixes and nine boundaries.

One-down Halim Shah added 77 off 103 balls with four hits to the fence. Opener Ahmed Fayaz scored 57 off 79 balls with one six and six boundaries.

It was Bima's ninth win in 13 matches that kept them third in the table with 18 points, four outr of co-leaders Abahani and Mohammedan.

On the other hand, Dhanmondi's seventh defeat meant they remained on 12 points.

SCOREBOARD

Scoreboard of the Premier Division Cricket Super League match between Bima and Dhanmondi Club at the Bangabandhu National Stadium on Tuesday:

BIMA

Athar Ali c & b Debabrata	9
Fayaz c Anis b Faisal	57
Halim Shah st Tuhin b Faisal	77
Majeed not out	105
Hasan c Anis b Debabrata	32
Aminul jr not out	23
Extras: (b-1, lb-3, w-19)	0

DHANMONDI CLUB

Anis run out	32
Sajjad c Fayaz b Zia	75
Tushar b K Mahmud	28
Taj b K Mahmud	12
Sumon c Sujon b K Mahmud	6
Faisal c Hasan b Zia	10
Tuwin c K Mahmud b Zia	17
Turjo not out	28
Debabrata lbw b K Mahmud	1
Tareq lbw b K Mahmud	0
Tanveer b K Mahmud	0
Tareq lbw b K Mahmud	8
Total: (All out in 43.3 overs)	217
Extras: (b-2, lb-1, nb-1, w-4)	8
Total: (All out in 43.3 overs)	217
Fall of wickets: 1/54, 2/78, 3/90, 4/95, 5/111, 6/141, 7/207, 8/216, 9/217.	

Bowler

Anis	9	0	49	0
Aminul jr	8	0	43	0
K Mahmud	6.3	1	29	6
Saifullah	10	0	51	0
Zia	10	0	42	3

Result: Bima won by 86 runs.



THE FINAL BYE: Legendary West Indies fast bowler Courtney Walsh acknowledges the crowd's applause after the end of the fifth and final Test against South Africa at the Sabina Park in Kingston, Jamaica on Monday.

Walsh waves bye

Cricket

REUTERS, Kingston

Courtney Walsh's final moments as a Test cricketer will stay with him for the rest of his life.

A Jamaican through and through, a winner and a gentleman, he was able to experience and indulge in all three pleasures as he helped West Indies to a 130-run victory over South Africa in the fifth and final Test at Sabina Park on Monday.

When South African last man Paul Adams sliced a delivery from Mervyn Dillon to Marlon Samuels at backward point, the catcher was suddenly all alone. Everyone else was running towards Walsh at fine leg.

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Brian Lara, meanwhile, had persuaded umpire Steve Bucknor to part with the match ball and sprinted towards Walsh and his

ecstatic gathering to present him with the memento as well as a stump he had grabbed when victory was complete.

Walsh was hugged by every one of his teammates and then, left briefly alone, saluted his adoring fans and accepted the embraces of groundstaff, security guards and anyone else who had managed to climb over the perimeter fences in time.

The famous Sabina Park Mound played the moving reggae song composed and written in his honour by local DJ Zum Jay, "Whoa di big man inna cricket" and the crowd joined in, "Whoa, lick down batsman wicket..."

As Walsh finally reached the pavilion he was greeted by another guard of honour, teammates and South Africans alike lining up to applaud him as he made his way into the dressing room where he contemplatively sipped champagne straight from the bottle.

"I said before the game that I was going to come out and enjoy five days of good cricket and it's a good team, maybe we could have a win to provide a nice send off for me. The team played unbelievable

cricket and I'm just grateful for that," Walsh said after the game.

"When I broke the record (for the most wickets) last year it was a tremendous occasion. I broke a record, we won the Test and it was a series win as well.

"It was fantastic to finish it all here, on home turf, but that was probably a bit more special," Walsh said when asked about his favourite memory from a career spanning 132 Tests in 17 years.

Walsh thanked "everyone involved with West Indian cricket, from the very top to the very bottom, but most importantly the fans who have shown tremendous loyalty and stuck by me and supported me through thick and thin."

The cheers were deafening.

Walsh noted, too, the "good sportsmanship" of the South Africans who formed a guard of honour when he came out to bat for the last time on the fourth morning and joined in the applause and back-slapping congratulations immediately the match ended.

"In my last Test series in England...

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