

FIRST TEST DRAMA.

The great day's here at last, and Australia take the field at Trent Bridge - but it isn't the sort of wicket the Aussie bowlers have been praying for. Lindwall bowls to Peter Richardson - a nice shot for one. England's new boy is starting well.

Keith Miller bowls to the other opener - Colin Cowdrey.

Richardson's nearly run out -he's dropped his bat, but luckily for him Miller's dropped the ball.

Richardson again,.... A beauty. A fielder's running - with any luck it should be a four - and it is.

Left-arm Alan Davidson to Cowdrey. Cowdrey flicks it - and he's caught by Miller for 25! England 53 for 1.

Tom Gravensy follows but Ian Johnson traps him with a straight one - and Archer's caught it. 72 for 2. But now bad luck strikes the Australians - Ray Lindwall has to leave the field with injured thigh muscles. And within minutes comes a second tragedy - Alan Davidson falls, while bowling to Peter May. He's chipped a bone in his right ankle, and he'll be out of the game for six weeks.

Johnson, Miller, and Peter Darge carry Davidson off. Richardson and May battle on, but rain ends a day which has brought more than its share of bad luck.