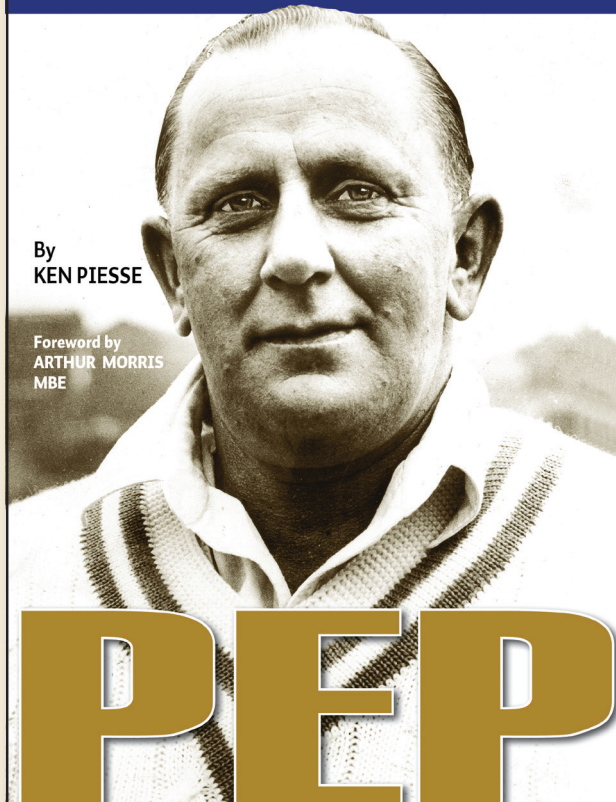


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**A**delaide Oval, New Year's Eve 1945. Ten thousand fans were on their feet and roaring their approval like they were at a footy final. All-Australia's favourite son Don Bradman was skipping down the steps from the Adelaide members. The conquering hero was back. The golden boy. The greatest batsman in the world. The cheering could be heard back over the Torrens and into town. This may have only been a patriotic match, but the interest was extraordinary. Twenty-four hours earlier, almost 7000 had braved 95 degree heat on the opening day and there were widespread groans when it was announced Lindsay Hassett, captain of the Australian Services XI, had called correctly and his team would bat. Everyone had eyes only for one man, the Don, cricket's ultimate run machine. Other than one home fixture just days earlier, Bradman had been absent from representative cricket for five years. That jaunty walk of his was impossible to miss. Grandfathers hugged their grandsons. After five ever-so-grim years this was a moment everyone had been wanting and anticipating. It seemed almost

surreal to see 'Braddles' once again in creams, especially given his wartime health issues.

In that familiar high-pitched voice of his, Bradman eyed umpire Jack Scott and asked for middle and leg before looking at the gaps in the field and settling to face his first ball.

**ARTHUR MORRIS:**  
*"It would have been nice to have seen more of him. He was one helluva player. ..."*

Opposing him was the formidable figure of Cec Pepper, the New South Wales country boy from Parkes, one of the heroes of the 'Victory Tests' and according to his war buddy Keith Miller, the world's leading allrounder. 'Pep' had just scuttled his renowned flipper through the defenses of local star Ronny Hamence. Full and flatter, it had zeroed in at the stumps like a fast in-dipper.

Pepper was on the full attack having called in a second slip and a silly mid-off. He'd also moved his backward square a few paces to his left to cut off

Bradman's favourite starting glide.

At 37, the Don was still undecided about a comeback. Much depended on his performance in this match.

In Pepper moved, eyes only for Bradman's stumps. He wanted this wicket like no other...

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