PROGRAMME

Biddyut Sramik

rally

By Staff Correspondent

Union will hold a rally at

WAPDA building premises to-

their demands, says a press

day (Monday) to press home

Certificate awarding

ceremony

ceremony of the first and sec-

ond batch students of Modern

Language Institute qualifying

1989-90 will be held on June

15 at the auditorium of the

Prof. Maniruzzaman Miah.

Vice-chancellor of Dhaka

University will attend the

meeting to distribute certifi-

Homeo Chhatra

Parishad

ing of Homeo Chhatra Oikya

Parishad will be held on June

14 at 10 am at the central of-

committee and districts rep-

resentatives have been re-

quested to attend the meeting.

By Staff Correspondent

Inner-Wheel District-328 will

be held Today (Monday) at 4

pm at Dhanmondi, Road No

27. House No 405/A, WVA of-

EUCSU polls

July 18

University Central Students'

Union (EUCSU) and its nine

hall unions will be held on July

meeting held on Sunday be-

tween Prof M Shahjahan, Vice-

Chancellor of BUET and the

Chittagong University

Teachers Association (CUTA)

in a statement on Sunday de-

manded removal of Vice Chan-

cellor Prof Alamgir Mohammad

Sirajuddin from his post to

protect the university from the

Yusuf Sharif Ahmed Khan and

Dr Abul Kalam Azad President

The statement signed by

existing crisis.

This was decided at a

Elections of Engineering

fice auditorium.

18, reports BSS.

leaders of EUCSU.

Inner-Wheel

An inter-city meeting of the

All members of the central

fice of the organisation.

A post-cyclone review meet-

Institute.

the English remedial course of

The certificate awarding

Bangladesh Biddyut Sramik

Dhaka Day by Day

Luncheon with a Difference

by Rahat Fahmida

A sense of helping with a difference! Though women have extended their hands in relief work during the recent disasters. their ways have differed. One such event was the international lunch organised in Hotel Sonargaon, in the beginning of this month for ladies only, by the Women's Voluntary Organisation

This was an annual event of WVA and it was organised this year in somewhat the same manner. But the only difference was that the funds raised would be donated to the lowincome group amongst the disaster affected people - the group of people for whom it is almost next to impossible to live just on relief.

The participants in this luncheon were not just confined to the members of the organisation. It was both surprising and heartening to see that wives of diplomats of more than fifteen different missions participated. They brought in various delicacies of their country, which was served from individual tables where a small banner identified the particular country.

A certain amount of. Delicacies at the Swiss stall nonsense is talked about the richness of food to be found in these specialities. It is true that the standard is much higher than that in any good hotel. In such ladies' lunches, it is seen that they are exceedingly addicted to the pleasures on the table; and without being rude, they know that this is one of the few places, where the best of everything is obtained. Every scrap of food cooked by the sophisticated wives of diplomats is made use of in every way. Foreign ladies come in contact with the activities of Women's Voluntary Organisation soon after they come into this country. They are either briefed by

their predecessors or members of WVA. They eventually get impressed by the voluntary ser vices of the members. WVA has a number of projects for the welfare of the underprivileged children, giving them services in the fields of health, education, and family planning and vocational services to the women of low-income group.

As a diplomat's wife said, "I feel emotionally moved seeing WVA's projects, and I feel proud to be in a party where I can help either the poor or the disaster-affected ones, even if it is in a very small way." .

This international lunch and the international meena bazar of WVA are organised an-

nually to raise funds for the running projects only. In this lunch it was not just the guests who bought entrance tickets, but quite surprisingly, the members and foreign volunteers themselves did the same, without any discount. And this year it cost them Tk 300 per

As the present president of WVA, Mrs Munira Khan stated some relevant facts about the organisation, "Women's Voluntary Associa-

tion's main purpose is to promote community service. It started on the 19th October, 1954 at Dhaka. Within a few years it was accepted as one of the very few social welfare organisations with an impeccable reputation of disciplined and dedicated hard work. "Now the volume of work has extended and about 200 ladies (local and foreign) are working in our organisation. It is divided into groups to facilitate the vast amount of activities. Please pray, that may God give us strength. We are always grateful to the donors and our workers."

Plea for political rights of professionals

Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD-Rab) on Sunday held rallies and processions to press home its 9-point demands including establishing the political rights of the professionals and release of party leader A S M Abdur Rab, reports BSS.

The other demands include a halt to conspiracy against upazila system, introduction of joint management in mills and factories, establishing 500-seat parliament and announcement and materialisation of the Pay Commission report.

In observance of the day in the city, a rally was held in

Ph.d conferred on 9 DU teachers

By DU Correspondent

Academic Council of Dhaka University recently conferred Ph.d degree on nine persons for their research work on various subjects.

The recipients of the degree are : Ahsanul Huq. English Department, Selina Khaleq, Bengali Department, Selina Begum, Sociology Department, Tofael Ahmed Chowdhury, and Mohammad Sahjahan, Chemistry Department, Shaffur Rahman, Soil Science Department. Abdus Samad, Botany Department, Wahedul Islam. Zoology Department and Ajit Kumar Poddar, Micro-biology Department.

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front of the Allahwala building under the auspices of the

Presided over by Mohanagari Unit leader Kamal Uddin. the rally was addressed, among others, by Party General Secretary Prof Humayun Kabir Hiru. Joint Secretary Jafar Sajjad and Organising Secretary

Dhaka Mohanagari Unit of the

Mosarraf Hossain. The speakers called for total recasting of the existing parliament to make it a 500seat one including two hundred reserve seats for various professionals.

The meeting over a procession was brought out parading the main city streets chanting slogans in support of their 9point demands.

Khabarer Kagaj sued

A private commercial com-pany has filed a defamation case with the Press Council against a vernacular weekly Khabarer Kagaj for publishing an objectionable news story on February 28 last, reports UNB.

investigation?

Answer to Previous Puzzle

SAI TA PANIC UTMGST RIOTED

The complainant Abdul Awal Mintu on behalf of Dhaka Ventura Group alleged that the weekly tried to blackmail and defame the Company in public eyes by publishing the news item entitled "What will. Bangladesh gain with Fair Fax

CROSSWORD PUZZLER



FAOB symposium

tomorrow

The eighth International Symposium of the Federation of Asian and Oceanian Biochemists (FAOB) will be held tomorrow (Tuesday) in the ballroom of Dhaka

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia will inaugurate the symposium at 9 am as the chief guest while Prof Maniruzzaman Miah, Vice-Chancellor of Dhaka University will be present as the special guest.

A large number of scientists from FAOB region are participating in the symposium. About 80 papers will be presented on various aspects of Biochemistry, with special reference to health and disease, malnutrition, agriculture and biotechnology.

Children's club at Sonargaon hotel

Sonargaon Hotel has introduced a new facility for the children called the Children's Club Special from May 3, says a press release.

It takes place every Friday from 3 pm to 6 pm in the hotel's Khayyam Lounge.



5-00 Opening and recitation

Recitation from the

from Al-Quran

5-15

News in Bangla Cartoon film: The Yearling Sports programme Shikhangon TV Debate News in Bangla 8-30 Prabaha

Shurer Bhubone 10-00 News in English 10-30 Film: Man from the

UN, CL, E 11-30 Khabar/the News 11-45 Close Down

Weather

Light rain likely

By Staff Correspondent

heavy fall accompanied by temporary gusty wind is likely to

occur at most places over Dhaka, Chittagong and Khulna

divisions and at many places over Rajshahi division.

outlook for another five days: No marked change.

tomorrow (Tuesday) at 5.11 pm.

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country on Sunday were:

Cities/

Towns

Dhaka

Khuina

Rajshahi

Jessore

Tangail

Barisal

Comilla

Rangamati

Rangpur

Dinajpur Satkhira

Sylhet

Chittagong

Light to moderate rain or shower with a few moderately

The highest temperature recorded on Sunday at Jessore

was 35.8 degree Celsius while the lowest temperature

recorded at Sylhet was 23.2 degree Celsius. The day tem-

perature till Tuesday morning may remain nearly unchanged.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Little change. Extended

The sun sets today (Monday) at 6.46 pm and rises

Temperature and humidity in some cities and towns of the

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Temperature in Celsius Humidity in percentage

Sheraton, says a press release.

and General Secretary respecing crisis. Samad Azad seeks consensus on major national issues

Ctg Varsity teachers

demand VC's removal

By DU Correspondent

probe body.

Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Jatiya Sangsad and Awami League Presidium member Abdus Samad Azad on Sunday called for a national consensus to resolve the major national issues and lead the national towards progress and prosperity, reports BSS.

He was giving presidential speech on the tow-day discussion on the report of the economic task force which began at the MP Club in Dhaka on Sunday morning.

The task force, headed by Prof. Rehman Sobhan, former Planning Adviser to the Acting President, had submitted the report to the Acting President containing 29 reports on various fields of national economy including commerce, population, eduction, agriculture, industry, power, and communication etc.

The meeting arranged for

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100

the members of the Awami League Parliamentary Party. was also addressed, among others, by Prof Rehman Sobhan, Prof Nazma Chowdhury, Prof Wahiduddin Mahmud, Dr. Mahbub Hossain, Prof Muhammad Yunus, Prof Igbal Mahmud, Mr Borhanuddin Ahmed, Mr Moniruzzaman, Mr Salahuddin Ahmed, Prof. Barkat-e-Khuda and Prof Mazaffar Ahmed.

Terming the report of the task force "timely" Mr Abdus Samad Azad said that the discussion was arranged at the initiative of the Leader of the Opposition and party chief Sheikh Hasina.

Mr Samad said, the members of the task force identifled the main problems and suggested ways and means for their solutions. He called upon the majority

party in Parliament to take initiative to achieve a national consensus on major national

Rallies around JS Bhaban banned

The Dhaka Metropolitan Police have prohibited all processions and demonstrations in and around the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban from midnight Monday in connection with the second session of Jatiya Sangsad beginning June 11. reports BSS.

A press release of the DMP said the areas where the prohibition will be in force comprise from Sayamali Cinema Hall to the corner of Road No 27. Dhanmondt in the west, from the old Airport to Hotel Sonargaon crossing in the east, Manik Mian Avenue and Indira Road in the south and the Agargaon road near Planning Commission in the north.

The Sangsad Bhaban area and all roads and by-lanes within this area will come under the restriction and carrying of explosives and other objectionable materials have also been banned, the press release said adding that this order would remain in force until further order.



The 13th travelling exhibition of photographs from Asia and Pacific countries began on Saturday at Shilpakala Academy in the city. - Star photo

Call to withdraw restrictions on Teachers' Welfare Fund

Federation of Teachers Associations (BFTA) on Sunday said they had undertaken a "Distressed Teachers' Rehabilitation Project" to rehabilitate the cyclone and tornado affected teachers and give financial assistance to the damaged educational institutions, reports BSS.

Addressing a press conference at a restaurant in Dhaka the Secretary General of the Federation, A.K.M. Shahidullah and Acting Chairman Sheikh Amanullah said they had requested the presidents and secretaries of all district committees including Dhaka city to collect Taka 10 from each teacher as subscription for implementation of the project and sent it to the Central Relief Fund of the federation.

They said the federation also

tively of the Association also

demanded of the government

to take immediate measures

according to the report of the

din of patronising all terrorist

activities on the Chittagong

University campus and alleged

that he was now trying to give

a political shape to the prevail-

They accused Prof Strajud-

Leaders of Bangladesh decided to donate one day's months subscriptions of the salary of the teachers to the Prime Minister's Relief Fund which would come around Taka 1,40,00,000 (one crore 40 lakh).

When asked about the number of teachers affected by the cyclone and tornados they said the federation had not yet received any statistics about it. They, however, said that three teachers were killed by the cyclone in Cox's Bazar.

They called upon the government to withdraw the order restricting the activities the non-government Teachers and Employees Welfare Trust. The activities of the trust

had been suspended by an order of the interim government on February 29,1991. the federation leaders said.

The federation leaders said they could not collect six

teachers to the trust fund due to suspension of its activities. They called upon the government to deduct this subscription from the salary of the month of May and deposit it to the bank.

They also called upon the government to direct 50 per cent of the interest (about 10 lakh) earned from the fixed deposit of the trust as financial assistance to the distressed teachers. The amount kept in fixed deposit is Taka three crore twelve lakh, they said.

They suggested waiving student fees of the affected areas upto December this year and the affected educational institutions be given additional subsidy. The federation also sug-

gested giving interest free long term loan of Taka 50,000 to each affected teacher.

7 arrested for possessing drugs

A special squad of the Drugs Control Directorate has arrested seven persons from different parts of the city Saturday on charge of possessing drugs, according to a Press release issued in Dhaka on Sunday, reports BSS.

Thirty grams of heroin, 700 grams of charash and 7 kilograms of ganja were recovered and seized from their possession. The arrested persons have been produced before the

Show cause on Dainik Desh Editor

The Chairman of the First Labour Court, Dhaka Sunday issued notice upon the Director-Editor of the Dainik Desh to show cause within seven days why an ad-interim order not to continue the closure-cum lockout declared by him (Director- Editor), at his establishment would not be issued, reports BSS.

The notice was issued in response to a petition filed by Mr Abul Kalam Manik, Sub-Editor, the Dainik Desh, under Section 151 CPC against the Director-Editor of the said newspaper.

Bitarka Mancha seminar begins today Jatiya Bitarka Mancha

(Forum of National Debate) will hold a two-day seminar on "the institutional frame-work of democracy in the light of mass upsurge-90" beginning today at the Teacher-Student Centre auditorium of Dhaka University, a Mancha press release said, reports BSS.

On the opening day, today, a discussion will be held on "the system of constitutional process and accountable government".

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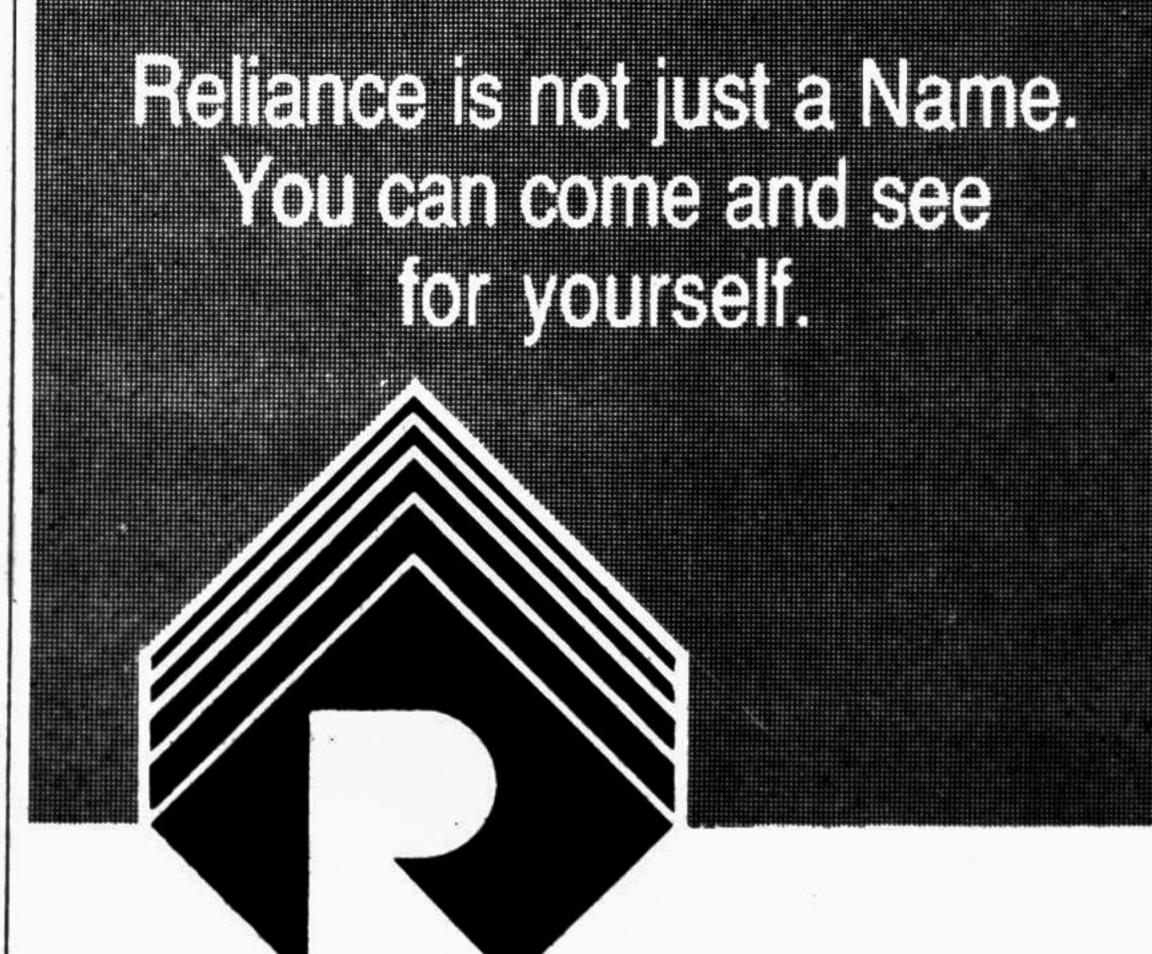
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