KARACHI, July 31: The ailing founder of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International will not be extradited to the United States or any other country to face fraud and embezzlement charges, a government official said Wednesday, reports AP.

In the first official reaction to the BCCI scandal, Sind Chief Minister Jam Sadio Ali charged that the closure of the bank's operations worldwide and the indictment of Agha Hasan Abedi were engineered by the West and Israel.

"I am deeply grieved by the malicious, racist and baseless campaign against Abedt," Jam Sadiq told a news conference.

On Monday, a New York grand jury indicted BCCl, four affiliates, Abedi and former deputy Swaleh Naqvi on charges of fraud, falsifying records and stealing more than 30 million Dollars.

Pakistan and the United States have an extradition treaty, but so far Washington has made no request, the chief minister said. He refused to answer questions on how he might stop the federal government in Islamabad from extraditing Abedi.

Government officials in islamabad declined comment on Jam Sadiq's statement.

Jam Sadig has acknowledged he received financial support from BCCI while he was living in exile in London in

the 1980s during Martial Law. He desended Abedi as an honourable man and said he would willingly stand trial be-

"Abedi's only crime was that he stood up and fought the disciples of the evils in the developed world," Jam Sadiq said. "BCCI was a Third World bank and it took to the challenges of breaking a hegemonistic control of the Jewish lobby on the world's financial

He said Abedi only sought to help the Islamic world acquire scientific and technological

"How could they tolerate Abedi, a Muslim, and the institution he created to make inroads in their financial domination? he said. Abedi was the lone fighter in this field. He fought bravely and courageously and I pray that he continues to do so despite his fail-

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Meanwhile, eyewitnesses of BCL (S-A).

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institutions including Dhaka

The statement termed the situation as a threat to the educational system of the country and called upon the students to gear up an independent student movement free from influence of political parties.

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provisions of the constitution. Violence has now engulfed the entire society, she said. adding the whole nation is un-

*Education and terrorism cannot go together. Peace and discipline will not come until terrorism is stamped out," said

Hasina. terrorism cannot be resolved by shutting down of schools and colleges one after another.

She called for united efforts to cleanse all strata of society of violence and ensure healthy

atmosphere. The Awarni League leader also requested students. teachers, guardians, employees, officials, intellectuals and

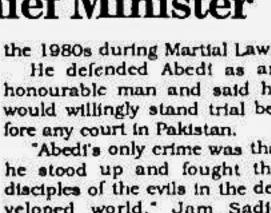
progressive forces to unitedly fight and end terrorism once for all.

JCD rally today

Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) will hold a rally in front of Jatiya Press Club today (Thursday) at 4 pm. The rally has been organised to demand immediate arrest and trial of the killers of Dr. Milon and Mahbub, JCD sources said, reports UNB.

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MANILA, July 31: President Corazon Aquino's government on Wednesday lifted its fivevear ban on former first lady Imelda Marcos and said she may return from extle to face tax fraud charges - but with-

In New York, Mrs. Marcos said she received the news with "mixed emotions."

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Mukarram mosque protesting

terrorist acts in the educa-

Aminul Islam, Aminur Rahman

and Hamid Hossain, accused

BNP and Awami League's stu-

dent fronts for the anarchy in

the educational institutions

and called upon the political

parties to expel all armed

hoodlums from the organisa-

the students wing of

BSD(Khaleq) held a rally on

the DU campus protesting the

The rally, addressed by

Naimuddin Ahmed, President

of it's DU unit, accused the

Jativatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD)

and Chhatra League (S-A) for

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Islami Chhatra Sena in a

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the terrorist act on the Dhaka

University campus and de-

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'Illegal Ershad

regime' raises

heated debate

By Staff Correspondent

MPs to delete the words

'illegal' and 'undemocratic'

used in the Constitution

(Eleventh Amendment) Bill to

qualify the government of

former President Ershad led

to a spell of heated discussion

Jatiya Party leader Moudud

in the Parliament Wednesday.

Ahmed argued that there

should be differences between

political speeches and written

A plea made by Jatiya Party

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The rally, addressed by

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said a number of students of Jahurul Hug Hall, SM Hall and Jagannath Hall brought out separate processions at the hall premises on Tuesday night after the announcement of closure of the university sine die. They were reportedly member

dent organisations expressed grave concern Wednesday over the indefinite closure of Dhaka University in the wake

They called upon the government and the university authorities to take effective measures for immediate reopening of the University.

Prof Muzaffar Ahmed and Pankaj Bhattachariya President and General Secretary respectively of National Awami Party (NAP) in a joint statement Wednesday condemned the continued violence in educational institutions and urged the relevant authorities to take

They observed that these incidents are ominous signs at sition to democracy.

They demanded strict measures including arrest of the "terrorists" irrespective of their party affiliations and suggested their ouster from the parties.

Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JSD-Rab) in a statement held the "negative politics" of the political parties responsible for the anarchy in the educational University.

Islami Chhatra Shibir held a

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the government, revealing its face same as the past autoc-

If the government of Ershad was regarded as illegal, then how the appointment of the caretaker government could be der the grip of few terrorists. termed as legal, he asked.

AL leader Begum Sajeda Chowdhury took the floor to assert that 'All powers of the Republic belong to the People' and it was the people who had The problem arising out of termed the government of Ershad as 'illegal' and 'undemocratic.' She asked how

> had come to power. Suranjit Senguta of Ganatantri Party said that Moudud Ahmed who had signed the unanimous report of the Parliamentary Select Committee on Constitution amendment bills had no right to speak against the modified bill He said that the Ershad government had come to power by toppling an elected

former President H.M. Ershad

constitution. Abul Hasan Chowdhury of AL said that a unique situation was now prevailing in Bangladesh. And arguments made JP MPs against the return of Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed to the Supreme Court bench were not valid.

government in violation of the

the bill all members recalled the contribution of Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed in conducting a free and fair election at a very critical juncture of na-

11th Amendment Bill would establish the fact that people, not barrels of guns, were the sources of all power. Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed should be given the opportunity to go back to his post with a view to fulfilling the commitment of the three alliances, she said.

Discussion on 12th amendment

Matiya Chowdhury, how ever, said that the joint declaration had called for transfer of power to a sovereign parliament, a condition which was yet to be fulfilled. Criticising JP members for opposing the return of Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed to the Supreme Court, she said it was due to him that even former President Ershad and other Jallya Party men could get elected to the Parliament.

She called for passage of the Indemnity Bill initiated by AL leader Mohammad Nusim to end the politics of coup and conspiracies. AL would help pass the 12th Amendment Bill she said adding her party not only stood for "bismillah" in the Constitution but also try to insert 'Aujubillah' to free all from the vices of 'satan'.

Moudud Ahmed, acting chairman of Jatiya Party Parliamentary Party made a plea so that Justice Shahabuddin did not resume duties as Chief Justice of Bangladesh saying this was needed to uphold the dignity of the office of Chief Justice.

He said that success of democracy depended on a culture based on proper functioning of democratic institutions. He said it would be good for the country if Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed on his own decided not to resume duties as Chief Justice after the passage of the amendment bills and the election of a new

President. Kader Salahuddin Choudhury of National Democratic Party urged Justice Shahabuddin to voluntarily avoid joining the Supreme Court bench in the interest of upholding separation of powers of the organs of government. Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed would find it difficult to dissociate from the executive actions taken by him or under his instructions during the last

seven months, he said. Other MPs who took part in the discussion on the 11th Amendment Bill were: Barkat Ali, Altaf Hossain Golandaj, Zubed Ali, Shah Hadiuzzaman, AKM Jahangir, Sheikh Harunur Rashid, Prof Waliullah, Abdul Matin Khashru, Mohiuddin Ahmed, Abdur Rouf, Abdus Shahid, Nazrul Islam and Abdul Hasan Chowdhury of AL, Shah Md. Ruhul Quddus and Enamul Hug of Jamaat, Abu Lais Mohin Choudhury of JP and indepen-

dent member Redwan Ahmed. Law Minister Mirza Golam Haftz requested Speaker Abdur Rahman Biswas to start discussion on the 12th Amendment Bill, and the latter

obliged. Initiating the discussion. Asaduzzaman of AL said that those elements who could not accept the independence of Bangladesh killed Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman through a conspiracy. The trial of his killers was blocked by promulgating an ordinance on August 20, 1975. He urged all to pass a bill initiated by Al. leader Mohammad Nasim to repeal that ordinance.

Intrusion into women's halls Expulsion demanded

By Staff Correspondent

Leaders of the students unions of Rokeya Hall and Shamsunnahar Hall of Dhaka University Wednesday demanded expulsion from the university and exemplary punishment of those who entered the hall compounds during Tuesday's gunbattle between rival student groups.

Addressing a press conference at the National Press Club in the evening, vice president of the Rokeya Hall Student Union also demanded inquiry into the incidents. Leaders of the Shamsunnahar Hall students union were also present at the press conference.

Shirin Sultana alleged the pro-Mujib Chhatra League (S-Al gunmen entered the halls, indiscriminately fired gunshots, chased the Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) workers there. The intruders also ate food in the dining rooms and threatened the hall employees

pointing guns at them. Shirin Sultana complained the gunmen of the Chhatra League including the alleged killers of Dr Milon and student leader Mahbub kept the hall residents hostage for over two hours.

Chased by the attackers, 10 to 15 residents of the halls were injured while running for safety, she added. Terming the incident as a black chapter for the halls, Shirin Sultana, belonging to JCD said the incidents reminded the students of the days during the Awami

League regime. The JCD leaders demanded immediate reopening of the university.

5 hurt as Moitry, BCL (N-S) clash in Jhenidah

JHENIDAH, July 31: Five students were injured in a clash between Chhatra Moltry and Chhatra League (N-S) at Government KC College hostel here Monday afternoon, reports UNB.

Of them, Asaduzzaman (22), and Anup(21), belonging to Chhaira League were admitted to Sadar hospital while the others were released after first

According to sources, the clash between the groups ensued over the occupation of

CU situation: Teachers seek Chancellor's action

From Our Correspondent CHITTAGONG, July 31 Chittagong University Teachers' Association(CUTA) demanded of the Chancellor of the universities to take immediate actions to restore normalcy on the university campus,

Azad. President and General Secretary respectively of CUTA recalled that the Chancellor had said he would take steps within 15 days to bring back normalcy. The deadline passed Wednesday.

The CUTA said it would take up fresh movement programme including abstention from work if immediate decision on the CU situation was not taken.

Chhatra Oikya Parishad announced Wednesday it would observe a token 18-hour hunger strike from 6 pm Thursday at the premises of the VC's residence to press for implementation of the enquiry commission report and removal of the Vice-Chancellor.

Sangrami Chhatra Oikya which includes CU Central Students Union also stated a sit-indemonstration in front of the VC's office on Wednesday to declare the enquiry commission report void and continuation of the VC in office.

Khairul Kabir Khokan, President and General Secretary respectively of DUCSU, in a joint statement Wednesday demanded arrest and trial of the suspected killers of Dr Shamsul Alam Khan Milon and Mahbubur Rahman Mahbub before reopening the university, reports BSS.

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lawyers to represent him and submitted a fresh list of lawyers keeping all but two from the old team and inducted three new lawyers including Moudud Ahmed. former vice president.

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Haq told the journalists that they had to enact the "drama" on Saturday to threaten Ershad to dissociate themselves from his case with the twin objective of dropping some lawyers engaged in unprofessional activities and also to stop the accused from 'clandestine communications' in violation of the fail code. Replying to a question whether their honour and dignity had been restored. Haq said 'the process has started'.

Earlier, the procession witness Major Saiful Islam, a member of the inventory committee while completing his deposition, told the court that he was present during the counting of Taka 1,90,91,565 found at Sena Bhaban and also when those were deposited with the Treasury.

critical.

Judge Mohammad Ali Khan adjourned the court till August 4.

The Midnight Kile

Blast kills 15 on Soviet train

MOSCOW, July 31: Fifteen people were killed and 15 injured when a bomb exploded Tuesday on a train travelling from Moscow to Baku, capital of the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Soviet Minister for Railways said here today. The Russian news agency Ria quoted Leonid Matukhin as saying the blast occurred when the train was near Makhackala, Thiamin town in the Daghestan, or Caucasus, region, reports AFP.

Six killed in US train mishap

NEW YORK, July 31: At least six people were killed and more than 120 injured when five carriages of a passenger train were derailed in South Carlina today, CBS television news reported. It said the Silver Star Express was bound from Miami to New York with 426 people aboard when it left the track in the town of Lugoff, near Camden, reports Reuter.

Indian troops have killed 4000 Kashmiris, alleges Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, July 31: Indian troops have killed more than 4.000 civilians in the Indian state of Kashmir since early last year, Pakistan charged today, accusing its neighbour of "atrocities". A Pakistan foreign office spokesman said Islamabad would seek a resolution calling for an end to the 'repression' in Kashmir at the August 4-8 Istanbul Islamic Foreign Ministers conference, reports AFP.

Bush, Gorbachev

From Page 1 Col. 4 to restore diplomatic relations. broken off during the Middle East war in 1967.

We believe there is a historic opportunity right now" to bring peace to the Middle East, Bush said, adding that he and Gorbachev were convinced the opportunity mustn't be

Outside the summit. Bush preached the virtues of democratic capitalism in a speech to oudding Soviet businessmen. "People must be free — to

work, to save, to own their own home, to take risks, to invest in each other and, in easence, to control their own lives," he said. This notion of free markets

and free people - opportunity

that. It's a universal dream," he

said. "And it's dream that the

for all -this joint venture between political and economic liberty — this is the spirit of democratic capitalism, Bush "Some call it the "American dream," but it's more than

Soviet people are now striving to make real for themselves." Reports of a bloody attack on a Lithuanian border post cast a shadow over the super-

power summit. Six Lithuanian guards were killed and two seriously wounded when the post on the border with the neighbouring Soviet Republic of Byelorussia came under attack early Wednesday morning, the Lithuanian Interior Ministry

A ministry spokesman said he did not know who was responsible. Border posts set up by the three breakaway Baltic republics have been attacked several times by Soviet "Black Beret° troops.

Moscow regards the posts as illegal but has denied ordering any attacks.

START is the third and most important US Soviet arms treaty in the past four years. It follows reduction in conventional Forces in Europe and climination of intermediate-range nuclear weapons.

Doctors' strike

From Page 1 Col. 5 The BMA called strike was

scheduled to begin Wednesday. The BMA had called the strike in protest against the appointment of Maj General (Retd) MR Chowdhury, as National Professor, rehabilitation of the collaborators of the former autocratic regime and for the implementation of the physicians' 23-point demands and the immediate arrest of Dr Milon's killers.

Dr M A Majed and Mostafa Jalal Mohiuddin, President and Secretary General of BMA in a meeting on Tuesday said that Maj Gen (Retd) MR Chowdhury was a collaborator of the autocratic regime and the chairman of the committee which framed anti-people health policy.

The statement pointed out that the Minister of Health and Family Welfare had given assurance of implementing the 23-point charter of demands of the physicians.

Violent students

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The processionists damaged six vehicles in the morning and another in the evening. Dhanmondi police said, the unruly processionists damaged a car (Dhaka Metro-Ka 03-1419) at about 8 pm.

BSS quoting a DMC source adds: The students of Dhaka College yesterday set fire to a hydraulic ladder (Dha-Metro-Da -5201) of Dhaka Municipal Corporation (DMC) in front of the college.

Mozammel Haq, the driver of the ladder car was seriously injured and taken to Dhaka Medical College Hospital His condition was stated to be

Normalcy was restored in the area at 10 pm, police said. None was arrested in connection with the incidents.

Supporters see its completion as ending 50 years of military confrontation and shifting the focus to economic cooperation and competition as the Soviet Union dumps old-style communism and move to a freemarket system. START must now go to the

US Senate and the Supreme Soviet for formal approval.

Under the pact, US strategic nuclear forces are expected to decline from about, 12,000 to 10,000 weapons and Soviet forces, from about 10,000 to 8,000.

protocols force both sides to reduce long-range ballistic missiles and bombers with a range of more than 5,500 kms (3,400 miles) and mandate a 50 per cent cut in the deadly Soviet SS18 missile that carries multiple warheads, It also reduces warheads

The treaty and associated

and limits air and sca-launched Cruise missile that travel over 600 kms. Reduction must be in phases over seven years.

To ensure against cheating, START carries the most stringent and complicated verification requirements ever devised, including challenge inspections on 16-hour notice.

Govt's accounts, audit reports submitted to Shahabuddin

The audit reports and annual accounts of the government for the last several years were submitted to Acting President Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed at the President's Secretariat in Dhaka Wednes-

day, reports BSS. The reports will be laid before Parliament under Article

132 of the Constitution. While receiving the reports from Comptroller and Auditor General Cholam Kibria, Justice Shahabuddin said strict enforcement of financial and audit rules was always needed for proper use of the state re-

PM: Crackdown

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upazila levels to curb criminal She also directed the top

officials of different tiers of the administration to arrange direct surveillance in the remote areas for effective assessment of law and order situation and other problems. If necessary, the Prime

Minister said, the existing laws

would be recast or new laws

made to mop up crimes including smuggling, a malaise eating into the vitals of national economy. She said country's mills and factories might face closure. worsening unemployment

problems and crime situation if smuggling could not be checked. Asking the administrative officials to be more responsive to their respective jobs, Begum

Zia urged them to effectively engage themselves in the nation building task-Those who would demon-

strate professional excellence would be awarded at national level while proper action taken against those found negligent of duties. Lauding the role of govern-

ment officials in the February

27 parliamentary polls and

recent devastating cyclone, she maintained officials could achieve success if they are sincere to their jobs. The Prime Minister also directed the concerned official to keep constant watch over

the market situation, ensure

quick disposal of cases and frequent visit to jails. In his speech, MK Anwar

said the government would take strict measures to prevent dishonest traders from charging high-price of essentials and to keep price within the buying capacity of the peo-

BCCI depositors, worried by the uncertainty looming large following suspension of the bank's operations, bring out a procession in the city Wednesday demanding return of their deposits. - Star photo

From Page 1 Col. 4 tions as Acting President; and to enable him to resume duties

as Chief Justice. Jatiya Party members and one independent member however, made an appeal to the Acting President to voluntarily refrain from joining the Supreme Court bench after the

passage of the bill. A total of 40 MPs took part in the discussion of the 11th Amendment Bill Twentytwo of them spoke on Wednesday.

The Chief Whip of the Opposition Mohammad Nasim said that Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed had saved the nation from a constitutional crisis by agreeing to take charge when the democratic movement of the people was crowned with success. The Acting President has created a rare example in the history of the nation, he

of his party, Awami League, to fulfil the commitment made earlier by the three political alliances to allow Justice Shahabuddin to go back to the post of Chief Justice, and to establish sovereignty of the Parliament. He said that the government and the opposition had

travelled a long path and pre-

Nasim renewed the resolve

pared an unanimous report on the Constitution amendment bills by froning out differences. The nation was now united to introduce a parliamentary system in the country. The AL leader urged the Treasury Bench to settle the point of discord relating to trial of killers of Bangabandhu

Forces of autocracy would be uprooted for good if it could be done, he said. AL leader Salahuddin Yusuf made a plea to insert the joint declaration of the three alliances in the Constitution. Why this could not be done if

Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

martial law proclamations could be inserted in the document, he argued. He emphasised the need for making provisions in the Constitution to ensure trial of

August 15, 1975 killings, and establish independence of the judiciary.

Matiya Chowdhury of AL said that the passage of the AL tags indemnity bill

From Page 1 Col. 3 the Constitution amendment Both sides agreed to end the stalemate by allowing the

Awami League to move its bill today. A BNP source told The Daily Star that Awami League chief Sheikh Hasina may raise a new demand after the introduction of the Indemnity Bill just to

But the source made it clear that the bills would be placed for a vote on Sunday even if the Business Advisory Committee failed reach a consensus. Lobby sources told The Daily Star that the Awami

delay the passage of the two

League will bargain to get an assurance on the passage of the Indemnity Bill but will not break the understanding reached at the Select Committee on the 11th and 12th amendment bills. The Awami League cannot afford to abstain from voting for a transition to parliamentary democracy," the sources asserted.

completed the discussion on 11th Amendment Bill which provides for ratification of the actions of Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed as the Acting President and sending him back to the Supreme Court as Chief Justice. During the discussion on

Meanwhile, the House

tional life. They recommended that he be bestowed the highest honour and sent back to his position to elevate the position of the institution of the Chief

Justice. A few members however, held that Justice Shahabuddin Ahmed should step down to hold high his image in the country.

The House took up the dis-

cussion on 12th Amendment

Bill on Wednesday night. During the discussion the Awami League members called upon the Treasury Bench to pass the Indemnity Bill and some of the Awami League members assured a full fiveyear term to the BNP if the

Indemnity Bill was passed.

Although members were

skeptical about the fate of the

two bills outside the House the

overall atmosphere inside the

House was that of amity and cooperation. Leaders of both the BNP and the Awami League said that the bills would be passed within the stipulated time.

The bills should be passed

by Sunday to avoid a constitu-

tional crisis. According to constitutional provisions, unless the bills are amended by the 10th of August, the Acting President shall have to announce the date of presidential election on August 10.

Hectic parleys and behind the scene lobbyings were going on to avoid a constitutional the hostel scats.

In a joint statement Prof Yusuf Sharif and Abul Kalam

Meanwhile Sammilita

Another students group, the

Related story on Page 2 DUCSU demands trial of Milon's killers before DU reopening

Amanullah Aman and

Ershad

celled powers of all nine

Serajul Haq, who appeared in the court Wednesday after being reappointed, retains his old position as the chief counsel to Ershad. Fazle Rabbi MP. one of the new lawyers, appeared in the court Wednesday and when asked said Moudud Ahmed would be with them in defending the former presi-

Serajul Haq prayed for adjournment to get more time to study the deposition of Major

Islam.