Release of

BCL leaders

demanded

Pro-Awami League Chhatra

League held a rally in front of

the National Press Club

Tuesday demanding immediate

release of its city unit leader

Manjurul Islam Asru, reports

manded release of all leaders

of the BCL and withdrawal of

"false" cases against them.

The meeting also de-

Presided over by city unit

President Ashraful Islam

Maruf, the rally was addressed

by SN Mannan Kachi, Mattur

Rahman Matt. Kamal Uddin

Ahmed, Mujibur Rahman,

Shamsul Alam Swapan, SM

Sabbir Hossain and Golam

The speakers accused the

government of unleashing re-

pressive measures against the

opposition forces, particularly

the Awami League and its stu-

Maid found

dead

By Staff Correspondent

hana, was found dead at her

master's house at Shewarapara

covered the body, which was

hanging in a room at the

house, 178, Shewarapara, at

about 7:30 am. Police told The

Daily Star, quoting Haji Anwar

Hossain, owner of the house,

that Shahana committed sui-

A sequence of street-drama 'Montreer Paatshala' staged by

Shaibal Natyachakra at the Central Shaheed Minar on

Women's affairs offices

to be set up in dists, UZs

No change in temperature

By Staff Correspondent

all over the country till 6 pm today(Wednesday).

and the regions of Comilia and Sylhet.

recorded in Rajshahi yesterday(Tuesday).

morrow (Thursday) at 6.39 am.

some major cities/towns are :

Met office Tuesday forecast, weather likely to remain dry

Met office also forecast night temperature likely to fall by 1

Night temperature likely to remain nearly unchanged else-

The highest temperature 28 degree Celsius was recorded

The sun sets today(Wednesday) at 5:47 pm and rises to-

The maximum temperature recorded in Dhaka yesterday

Temperature and the percentage of humidity recorded in

14.3

17.4

12.8

14.5

17.5

11.2

12.8

was 24.8 degree Celsius and the minimum was 14.3 degree

Celsius. The percentage of humidity in Dhaka was 68 at 9 am

Temperature

24.8

25.5

26.2

26.5

26.6

25.8

26.4

in Cox's Bazar while the lowest 9.4 degree Celsius was

to 3 degree Celsius over Rajshahi. Dhaka and Khulna divisions

Tuesday.

The fifteen per cent job

This was decided at the

second Parliamentary Standing

Committee meeting on

Women's Affairs Ministry held

at the Sangsad Bhaban Tuesday

with the State Minister for

Social Welfare and Women's

Affairs Sarwari Rahman in the

Weather

where in the country.

and 58 at 6 pm.

Cities/Towns

Dhaka

Rajshahi

Khulna

Barisal

Chittagong

Cox's Bazar

Srimangal

Jessore

quota for women announced by

the government will be main-

tained strictly in the govern-

ment services, reports BSS.

in the city Tuesday morning.

A 15-year-old maid Sha-

Mirpur Police said, they re-

Rabbant Chinu.

dent wing activists.

Dhaka Day by Day

Your Fate Told for Tk 1!

by Sharier Khan

If you're bothered by the twist of luck, here is a reminder: you can go to all major bus stops of the city and meet tradition-old parrot-aided fortune-tellers, and have your fate told for only one taka.

Obsed, 28, is one of those 'Buzurgs' who sit on a footpath near the Fulbaria bus station. He has no crystal ball, but a pair of innocent, tamed parrots and a series of 'falnamas' - in which your fate is written.

Obaed's fortune-telling method is simple. All you have to do is tell him your named and he will recite a celestial 'Neeyat', pick up a parrot on a stick and place it on the series of

envelope-packed Falnamas on the The ground. trained parrot will then pick up a Falnama of its choice. As I asked Obaed

to pick up my Falnama, he processed one and started reading it in a very piercing voice. which he seem-ed to have developed to fight the overwhelming noise of the traffic: you are a Leo...! he shrt-lied argued right at that moment that I was an Aries. But I could not manage to win aga-inst his voice. So he continued: "You are in a very dangerous situation, your enemies are trying to put you in constant

danger. However,

you'll overcome your problems if you stay cautious." I did not try to argue that he was reading some body else's fate.

But had I told him my nick name, the result would have been different. If I had asked him to do it with the same name twice, the results would have been different.

Then I asked and paid him to see his own fate. Obaed smiled and processed his Falnama. He read: "It says I am heading towards very fortunate times. Opportunities and happiness will prevail with me soon," etc. etc. "Well, you cannot say I'm not fortunate and happy! Maybe

tomorrow is a different day for me!" This fortune-teller earns 20 to 50 takas an evening. He is not a full-time fortune teller. All

day long, he hunts for solid jobs. "I suppose there are better jobs for me than fortune telling, this does not earn me much to

meet my daily necessities." Obacd came to this profession two years ago. There was no 'guru' to teach him how to do it. He is self-taught. He learnt the trade from

books with Falnamas written in them. "I also read palm lines..." says he, showing

me a self-drawn palmistry guide page, and sell Falnama guide books for three taka

He picks up a thin book. This Falnama book is only for Leos. Wan na buy one?"

Obaed trained his two parrots in this manner: he laid down a series of envelopes few of which were filled with food, the parrots had to find out their food from the envelopes. After a month of training the parrots were conditioned to act in a way as if they knew which Falnama should be chosen for whom.

"Why parrots?" Obacd answers. "Actually I could do the parrot's job, but a parrot is wild, in-

nocest and colourful, it attracts people... and above all, that's the way this business is."

But like other parrot fortune tellers, his parrots are not wild, innocent and colourful. His parrots are tame and live in a wooden cage that is kept beside him. They also look sick and undernourished and their beautiful colour is layered with dust. Nobody can tell if they are happy picking Falnamas.

You may be a believer or disbeliever - in both cases, the parrot fortune telling may not seem satisfactory to you. But remember, there is not much to get for one taka nowadays in Dhaka.

Students urged to guard against terrorism

Education Minister Jamiruddin Sircar Tuesday said rule of law is the precondition for the flurishment of democracy, reports BSS.

He said the present democratic government determined to stop violence and anarchism in the society for giving an in-

stitutional shape to democracy. The Education Minister was addressing installation ceremony of the Student's Union of Eden Girls College here.

Presided over by Principal Jahanara Begum, the function was addressed by State Minister for Textiles Abdul Mannan, State Minister for **Education Principal Eunus** Khan, JCD central leader Fazlul Hoq Milon, Vice-President (VP) of Rokeya Hall Students Union Shirin Sultana, VP of

The employees of four na-

tionalised commercial banks

will observe a day-long hunger

strike today (Wednesday)

across the country to press for

implementation of their 10-

point charter of demands put

simultaneously at 9 am till 4-

30 pm at the head office, prin-

cipal and regional offices of

Sonali, Janata, Rupali and

banks will observe hunger

Photo Journalists'

Assoc executives

Rafigur Rahman have been

elected President and General

Secretary respectively of

Bangladesh Photo Journalists'

Association, says a press re-

The election was held

The other office-bearers are

: Salahuddin Ahnad _ Vice

President ; Md Khaled Haider

and Sheikh Jebul Amin _ Joint

Secretaries: AZM Shahidullah

- Treasurer and Abdur Razzak

The four executive mem-

The election was conducted

bers are: Shwapan Sarker. Md

Alam, Nuruddin Ahmed and

by Meer Nurul Islam.

Executive Editor, Banglar

Office Secretary.

Balayeat Hossain.

Monday at the National Press

Wasey Ausari and ABM

The central leaders of the

The planned fasting begins

forward by CBA.

Agrani banks.

the college student's Union Helen Zerin Khan and General Secretary Saimun Begum Saimun.

The Education Minister said BNP government had already fulfilled its all electoral commitments and will take all steps for the welfare of the masses. He said the student community must keep vigilant against all sorts of terrorism and violence to restore peace in the campus. Sircar said, the students of the country must take endeavours to build up leadership quality in themselves for shouldering their future responsibilities properly.

He said the government had already launched compulsory primary education in the country and will reintroduce mass education programme to erad-

strike at the Shapla Square at

Tuesday held separate rallies

and processions in the capital

to mobilise public support in-

The demands include: a

separate wage package for the

bank employees, incentive

bonus, fringe benefits, re-in-

statement of employees sacked

by the government in 1981

and introduction of marking

Bangla Academy

gets back

Uttara plot

By Staff Correspondent

Bangla Academy formally

Works Minister Barrister M

got back its plot of two bighas

Rafiqui Islam Mia at a simple

function at Uttara handed over

the documents and possession

certificate of the plot to Prof.

M Harunur Rashid, Director

General of Bangla Academy.

at Uttara in the city Tuesday.

The employees of the banks

Motifheel in the city.

favour of their demands.

system in promotion.

Bankers observe hunger

strike today

By Staff Correspondent

icate illiteracy by the year 2000. He also called upon the students to contribute to make the programme a success.

Shaheed families asked to contact Projonmo '71

By Staff Correspondent

Projonmo '71, an organisation set up last year with the aim to bring together children of all the martyrs who gave their lives during the War of Liberation of 1971 issued a statement Monday calling upon members of all Shaheed families to contact them.

Launched on November 29, '91. Projonmo '71 (Children of shaheeds of 1971) is striving to contact countless shaheed families all over Bangladesh.

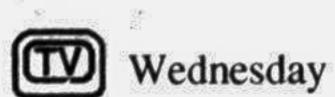
The statement said: "Every speck of dust of Bangladesh is bathed in the blood of the Shaheeds of '71. Until now, no complete list of Shaheeds has been drawn up. All those who lost their fathers or mothers of both at the hands of the Pakistani occupation forces and their despicable local collaborators in 1971 are all members of Projonmo '71.

We are calling on all shaheed families to get in touch with Projonmo '71, the statement said.

Shaheed families have been requested to contact Projonomo '71 GPO Box No-2923 for membership form with self-addressed envelope and stamp.

Chehlum

The chehlum of Alhaj Dr. Mujibur Rahman will be held on Friday (Feb-7) after Asr prayers at his 25, Bijoy Nagar residence, says a press release.



Opening announcement, AL Quran, News in Bangla 5.10 5.20 Geeta 5.25 Campus 6.00 Sports programme

Bangla Academy purchased a plot measuring two bighas at Uttara in 1979 for construction of staff-quarters of the 6.30 Academy but did not get its 7.05 possession since the plot was 8.00 used for flood-control em-8.30 bankment during Ershad 9.00 10.00 regime. 10.25

State Minister for Cultural Affairs, Prof. Jahanara Begum and the Chairman of Rajdhani Unnayan

Kartripakhha(RAJUK), M Anwarul Alam were also present on the occasion.

Programme summary Recitation from the

Samachar Hijal Tomaal News in Bangla Bishwa Parikroma Film: MacGyver News in English Parliament round up 10.35 Mukhumukhi: Face to

Face 11.30 Khabar/The news Thursdays program-11.40 me summary Closing.

Violence, police firing in Sylhet

Voting postponed in 7 centres

Votings were postponed in seven centres amidst widespread violence that left scores injured on the 12th day of union parishad elections yesterday, reports UNB.

All the polling holdup was reported from four unions in Golapganj upazila of Sylhet district, where some 50 people were injured in clashes between the supporters of rival candidates.

Police fired 50 blank shots to quell the rowdy situation in different centres of the four unions of Golapganj.

Election Commission sources said the polls were postponed at East Bagha Primary School and Parganabazar Primary School centres in Bagha union, Fulbari

Union Parishad office and Barya Matibagh Primary School centres in Fulbari union, Union Parishad office and Nuranta Primary School centres of Laxmipur union and Bargram Primary School centre in Badbaribazar union.

Police control room said police fired five shots in the air at around 4.45 pm at Bilabaria centre in Paglakanai union in the sadar upazila of Jhenidah district as several hundred people stormed the centre.

About 300-400 unruly people with sticks, rods stones attacked the centre and tried to snatch ballot boxes, they said.

However, there was no report of any casualty, and polling later ended peacefully.

German DFM arrives

Economic matters to figure at talks

Minister Hélmut Schaefer arrived here from Bhutan Tuesday afternoon on a threeday official visit to Bangladesh. reports UNB.

Foreign Secretary Reaz Rahman received him at the

Director General (Europe) at the Ministry of Foreign

German Deputy Foreign Affairs S M Rashed Ahmed. German Ambassador Dr. Karl Heinz Scholtyssel **Bhutanese Ambassador Karma** Dorjee were also present.

Talking to newsmen at the airport. Schaefer said that the main objective of his visit is to discuss bilateral matters, economic interest and international issues of common con-

"The economic question will figure at the discussion". he added.

The German Deputy Minister also said that the two sides would exchange views on both economic and political cooperation in the backdrop of the changed development in Europe.

Schaefer will held official talks with Foreign Minister ASM Mostafizur Rahman today.

During stay here, he is scheduled to meet leader of the opposition in the parliament Sheikh Hasina and different government leaders and officials.

He is also due to visit the German aided Ashuganj Power

Debating team off to London A four-member Bangladesh

debating team left Dhaka for London Tuesday to participate in the world school debating competition to be held in London from February 7 to 16. according to a Biman press release, reports BSS.

Biman Bangladesh Airlines in sponsoring the Bangladesh debating team as part of its patronisation to help promote country's sports, cultural and educational activi-

The team members made a courtesy call on Biman's Managing Director Abdul Muyeed Chowdhury prior to their departure for London at

team include: Mainuddin Chowdhury (team coach). Talita Chowdhury leader). Golam Mohammad Chowdhury (member) and Jabed Ahmed (member).

On Monday one person was killed and two others were injured when police opened fire on mob in a polling centre at Pakshimul union of Sarail Upaztla, official sources said in Brahmanbaria yesterday.

Taju Mia (25), a resident of Joydalkandi of the union was killed on the spot.

The other injured are Presiding Officer Jastm Uddin (36) and officer Alt Hossain (30). They were sent to Brahmanbaria Sadar Hospital.

Elections were held in 160 unions of 20 upazilas in 18 districts yesterday. Polling will be held in 222 unions of 27 upazilas in 25 districts today (Wednesday).

So far, elections have been held in 3,343 unions, and the 16-day staggering polling which began on Jan 22 will come to an end on February 6.

NMCP team arrives Feb 8

A delegation of the Netherlands Management Consultancy Programme for developing countries and Eastern Europe (NMCP) will be visiting Bangladesh from February 8-20, reports BSS.

The delegation comprises W A Zuidhof, Managing Director and M Heijnsbrock. Regional Coordinator for Bangladesh.

The aim of NMCP is to assist entrepreneurs in various developing countries to solve their problems and to transfer in general management, professional and or technical skills. This is done by means of enlisting the services of retired technicians and executives from industry and placing their know-how and experience at their service.

The Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI) will organise a seminar on February 9. Interested entrepreneurs and officials will participate in the seminar.

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Som: এককালীন বিনিয়োগ করে পরবর্তীতে কোন খরচ ছাড়াই সৌর শক্তির সাহায্যে আপনার বাড়ীতে

RAHIMAFROOZ

পাচ্ছেন বিদ্যুৎ৷ আজ ও আগামীকাল সেকাল ১১টা থেকে সন্ধ্যা ৬টা) সোনারগাও হোটেলে "রহিমআফরোজ সোলার' এর সৌর বিদাৎ প্রদর্শনী চলছে।

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করপোরেশন

উন্নয়ন প্রকল্প कूनवाज़िया, ঢाका।

আপনার পরিবেশ সুন্দর ও পরিচ্ছন রাখুন আপনার শিশুকে টিকা দিন

দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নিম্বর্ণিত কাজের জন্য ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের আওতাধীন পরিবেশ উন্নয়ন প্রকল্পের পূর্বযোগ্যতাসম্পন্ন তালিকাভুক্ত ঠিকাদারগনের নিকট হইতে বাংলাদেশ ফরম নং-২৯১১তে সীলমোহরকৃত খামে দরপত্র আহবান করা যাইতেছে। আগামী ১৯/০২/৯২ ইং ০৬/১১/৯৮ বাংলা তারিখ বেলা ১২.০০ ঘটিকা পর্যন্ত নিম্ন স্বাক্ষরকারীর দপ্তরে দরপত্র গ্রহণ করা হুইবে এবং ঐদিনই বেলা ১২.৩০ ঘটিকার সময় উপস্থিত দরপত্রদাতা অথবা তাহাদের প্রতিনিধিগনের সমুখে (যদি কেহ উপস্থিত থাকেন) খোলা হইবে। ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের অনুকূলে বাংলাদেশের যে কোন সিডিউল ব্যাংকের ব্যাংক ডাফট/পে অর্ডার এর বায়নীর টাকা টেভারের সহিত জমা দিতে হইবে। ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের সকল আঞ্চলিক দপ্তরের প্রকৌশল বিভাগ/হিসাব বিভাগের পোদ্দার/নিম্ন স্বাক্ষরকারীর দপ্তর হইতে মূল্যের বিনিময়ে (অফেরতযোগ্য) দরপত্র ডকুমেন্ট ক্রয় করা যাইবে। এতদসংক্রান্ত বিস্তারিত বিবরণ অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে ঢাকা সিটি করপোরেশনের পরিবেশ উন্নয়ন প্রকল্পের নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলীর দপ্তর হইতে জানা যাইবে। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখে কোন দরপত্র ডকুমেন্ট বিক্রেয় কুরা হইবে না। কর্তৃপক্ষ কোন কারণ

দর্শানো ব্যতিরেকে যে কোন বা সমুদয় দরপত্র গ্রহণ বা বাতিলের ক্ষমতা সংরক্ষণ করেন।

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-Star photo

The meeting also decided

to collect the updated statis-

tics on the vacant posts for

female employees of all classes

in the government services

establish women's affairs of-

fices in all districts and upazi-

las and start their function

at present functioning at 22

districts and 136 upazilas.

Women's affairs offices are

Humidity

6 pm

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9 am

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The meeting decided to