Abdur Rahman Biswas at Bangabhaban Sunday.

Deputy Leader of the House

in Parliament Prof AQM

Badruddoza Chowdhury said

Sunday children should be

groomed in line with the na-

tional culture to enrich it fur-

our own culture of our soil as

well as flourishment of Lalon

Geeti, Jari-Shari and others

which can help check infiltra-

tion of alien culture," he said

addressing the price giving

ceremony of a cultural organi-

sation, Subachon-Monzir

Murchhona at the Shishu

the give-and-take with the

positive part of foreign culture

since culture itself has no bar-

rier, but we have to be very

careful about the intrusion of

Two railway

employees

suspended

negative alten culture".

"Of course, we don't oppose

"We must not forget about

ther, reports UNB.

Academy.

We don't oppose positive

part of alien culture'

Dhaka Day by Day

A Short Cut to Eldorado!

by Aasha Mehreen Amin

Newspaper advertisements are a wonderful way to lift up one's spirits. Scanning through the multitude of dailies makes one want to believe in Pangloss's (in Voltaire's Cardide) 'best of all worlds', where 'pessimism' is an alten word. Whatever it is one dreams of, craves for, his or her wish is the newspaper advertisement's command

able clinics and health centres that advertise that they can help acquire the most attractive physiques in a matter of weeks - without any exercise! It may be mentioned that these miracle centres also claim to cure any kind of ailment including pimples, moles, enlargement or reduction of body parts, sex related problems, obesity, nervousness, stuttering and even

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Then there are the ladies and gentlemen who lure with the most tempting bait of all - a green card. "A green cardholder wants a beautiful, highly educated girl with a high moral character" says one of those little boxes. Fringe benefits include the matchless opportunity of being able to live and study in the US. Paid leave, we assume, is not included. Yet another heartbreaker who is "originally from Sylhet, now living in London, has a PHD and is a 'Seniour Scientish' in Surrey, England. This genius wishes for a fair and lovely graduate who is 5 ft 2 inches tall.

But one doesn't get married so easily these days without looking good. There are innumer-

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why we have BBC. Now don't confuse this elite

organisation with British Broadcasting

Corporation. This is no other than our very

own - Brain Breeding Centre! And what does

BBC do? Breed brains of course. It promises

men and women guaranteed intellectual

abilities to excel in TOEFL, SAT, GMAT, GRE

and any other permutation or combination of

the English alphabet. While BBC is perhaps,

giving the lead in multiplying grey matter

there are many more of these champions of

hand books with the names and addresses of

over a thousand men and women. Whether this

particular service is to facilitate penfriendship

back on, there is always the reliable soothsayer.

The all knowing astrologer is willing to give

"guarantee cards" and is ready "to solve any

that sinking feeling of reluctance to face the

world, even a cursory glance at the classified

advertisements may do a world of good. Fame,

fortune, beauty, marriage - even intelligence

can be yours with the solicitude of our dailies

Now if you don't have looks or brains to fall

So when one wakes up in the morning with

In addition, there are the foreign education

academic excellence all over the pages.

or intermarriage is not known.

problem' a client may have.

- a short cut to Eldorado.

RAJSHAHI, May 3 Bangladesh railway west zone has suspended its two employees for their involvement in the pilferage of oil from rail "bad habits". Growing tall from 3 to 6 inches is engine, reports BSS. also possible.

Railway Nirapatta Bahini arrested two miscreants named Ataur Rahman and Md Moinuddin while stealing oil from engine no-3325 at Bonarpara yard.

He called upon the guardians and the elders of society to come forward to help flourish the latent talents

General Bruno Brancado Chief of Staff of Carabiniere forces of Italy called on President

Speaking on the occasion, eminent Tagore singer Dr Sanjida Khatun called upon the child artistes to devote themselves to the cause of national

Chairman of the Shishu Academy Dr Kazi Anwara Begum said the children could be successful in their cultural activities if they are well groomed from the very begin-

tributed among the winners the "Subachon-Monzir Murchhona Award 1397".

Later, Prof Chowdhury dis-

The programme was fol lowed by a musical sotree.

Noman leaves for Mexico Minister for Fisheries.

Livestock Environment and Forest Abdullah-al-Noman left Dhaka Sunday for Mexico to attend an international conference on responsible fishing to be held in Cancun City, reports BSS.

The aim of this conference is to arrive at a consensus to establish a fisheries code of conduct and to explore forms of transfer of technology with a view to checking deterioration of ecosystems.

What's on today

Rotary Club of Dhaka Central

The weekly general meeting of Rotary Club of Dhaka Central will be held today (Monday) at 1 pm at the family lounge of Dhaka Club.

RAPPORT management programme

A day-long management programme on 'Managerial effectiveness for women executives and officers' will be inaugurated today (Monday) at 9.30 am at Hotel Purbani. Managing Director of RAPPORT M Mosharraf Hossain will

inaugurate the programme.

Joint congress

Bangladesh Workers Party, Bangladesh United Communist League and Bangladesh Sammyabadi Dal (M-L) will hold a joint congress today (Monday) at the Enginner's Institute at 10 am. 540 representatives will participate in the joint congress.

Rotary Club of Dhaka North The regular weekly meeting or the Rotary Club of Dhaka North will be held today (Monday) at 5.30 pm at Sonargaon

Hotel.

Rtn Rafiqul Islam Sarker will speak on 'Rural development' at the meeting.

Painting exhibition

Bangladesh Shilpakala Academy and German Cultural Centre have jointly organised a 10-day painting exhibition. It will be inaugurated today (Monday) at 5 pm at the Academy gallery.

Minister for Foreign Affairs ASM Mostafizur Rahman and R Grase, Charge d' Affairs of the German Embassy will be present at the inaugural programme.

. . and tomorrow

International Astrology conference

The inaugural programme of the 4th International Astrology Conference convened by the World Astrology Society (WAS) will be held tomorrow (Tuesday) at 5.00 pm at Hotel Purbant.

Information Minister Barrister Nazmul Huda will inaugurate the conference.

Weather

Day temperature may fall

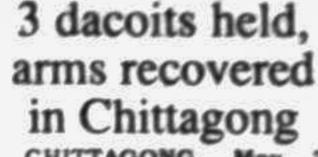
By Staff Correspondent

Moderate rain shower accompanied by nor wester is likely at many places over Khulna and Dhaka divisions and at a few places over Rajshahi and Chittagong divisions during the next 36 hours commencing 6 pm Sunday Meteorological office source said that day temperature may

fall by one to two degree Celsius during the period. The sun sets in Dhaka today (Monday) at 6-29 pm and

rises tomorrow (Tuesday) at 5-22 am. Temperature and humidity recorded in important cities

and towns on Sunday were: Humidity in Cities/Towns Temperature in degree Celsius percentage 6 pm 9 am 20.7 Dhaka Chittagong 21.6 31.7 Khulna 31.5 20.5 18.1 Rajshahi 26.7 82 16.5 Dinajpur 24.5 18.2 25.5 Sylhet 85 22.0 Cox's Bazar 32.0 77 22.0 31.0 Barisal



CHITTAGONG, May 3: Double Mooring police arrested three alleged dacotts and recovered from their possession two light guns from Lalkhan bazar area here Sunday, police said, reports

Police in a separate raid also recovered one light gun. three 032 bore revolvers, one cartridge and a dagger from the house of one Joinal Abedin of Bepari Para.

Separate cases were filed against the arrested persons.

- PID photo

Hearing in case

against Zafar

Imam ends

By Court Correspondent

case against the former Jute

Minister Lt Col (Retd) Zafar

imam ended yesterday

(Sunday). The hearing was

held in the 5th Additional

District and Sessions Judge's

appointing 60 persons in dif-

ferent positions under the Jute

Ministry abusing his power as

'irregular' appointments the

government incurred huge fi-

As a result of these

Abdur Rezak Khan public

prosecutor argued that the

accused former minister had

committed an offence by miss-

ing his official power and

should be charged under

Section 5 (2) Act II of Anti-

Corruption Act of 1947 and

under Section 166 of Penal

Saifur Rahman argued that

Zafar Imam 'is an innocent

person and as such has not

committed any offence. No

primafacie charge has been

made against him in this case.

The defence lawyer Khan

Zafar Imam was accused of

Court, Dhaka.

the Minister of Jute.

nancial losses.

The hearing in a corruption

Reopening of Rajshahi varsity demanded

RAJSHAHI, May 3: Six student leaders at a press conference here yesterday demanded immediate reopening of the Rajshahi University an announcement of the date for the examination, reports BSS.

The student leaders included Sadakat Hossain of Bangladesh Chhatra Mottri, Md Ayub Ali Khan of Chhatra League (N-S), Aslam Sarkar of the RUCSU, Jabrul Hasan of the Bangladesh Chhatra Union Ruhul Quddus of Samajtantrik Chhatra Front

IN MEMORIAM

On the occasion of the Fourth death anniversary of Syed Tanweer Murshed son of the Late Syed Manzoor Murshed and the Late Begum Hasina Murshed, relatives and friends are requested to pray for the salvation of the departed soul.

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Khaleda seeks students' help to change people's lot

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia Sunday night urged the members of Jattyatabadi Chhatra Dal (JCD) to help change the lot of the teeming millions, reports BSS. She was addressing the

newly-elected office bearers of Bangladesh Agriculture Institute Central Student and Hall Unions when they came to meet the PM at her Sugandha The students belonging to

JCD had won massively in those elections held on April The Prime Minister said

that as an agro-based country, Bangladesh had to lay total emphasis on agriculture pro-

122 RU teachers gets PPA condemn statement of C R Dutta

thetically.

RAJSHAHI, May 3: A group of teachers of Rajshahi University Sunday condemned the statement of Hindu-Bouddha-Christian Oikya Parishad leader C R Dutta and urged the government to take legal action against him and his accoplices, reports UNB.

pave the way for interference of external forces by making provocative statements aimed at conflict and anarchy within the country. Such activities are no doubt seditious and should be dealt with in accordance with the law, said a statement

signed by some 122 teachers. Anisur Rahman, Nazrul Islam, Abdur Rahman Siddiqi, Rafiqul Islam.

He (C R Dutta) is trying to

Sudatta Barua membership

duction to make it self-suffi-

cient in food. She expressed

her optimism that the country

would become self-sufficient in

with agriculture the govern-

ment has also attached top

priority for the education sec-

tor and it was given the high-

est allocation in the last bud-

She also urged them to

She referred to the various

strengthen the nationalist

demands of the students and

said all genuine demands

would be looked into sympa-

forces in the country.

Begum Zia said, together

Sudatta Sebak Barua, a reputed photographer of Bangladesh, has been accorded with the membership and accreditation of the Professional Photographers of America Incorporated (PPA), reports

Barua is the first Bangladeshi photographer honoured with PPA accreditation and allowed to use its logo for the promotion of his professional

In 1991, he obtained the membership of the Professional Photographers of Japan Association.

Barua, who started his professional career in the daily Morning News is 1961, was awarded with nine prizes.

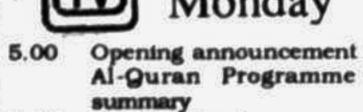
N'ganj Unnayan body threatens hartal on May 18

From Our Correspondent NARAYANGANJ, May 2: About 600 members of 'Narayanganj Shahar Unnayan Committee' (Town Improvement Committee) staged a dawn- todusk sit-in demonstration in front of the 'Paura Pathagar' here today to press home their

demands. The demands include: Administrative measures to solve various problems of the town and cancellation of the authorities' decision to sell out the railway lands lying abandoned in the town.

Addressing the demonstrators, the committee leaders called upon the local administration to accept the demands by May 15. Otherwise, they warned, a half-day hartal would be observed in the district headquarters on May 18.





News in Bangla 5.20 Recitation from the Geeta The Great Space Coas-

Sports programme 6.00 Jibon O Projukti 7.05 Debate News in Bangla 8.00 8.30

Surer Bhuban : Songs 9.00 10.00 News in English Heaven

11.30 Khabar/The News summary 11.45 Closing

10.30 Film : Highway to 11.40 Tuesday's programme