



Dhaka Day by Day

Uncompromising She Dies, But Her Spirit Lives

by Rahat Fahmida

She struggled hard to publish 'Shitalipi'... Before she could go ahead with all her plans...

"It is so distressing. In our country — and I think it goes for most of the countries — they look down upon a divorcee..."

"In the 1980s and early 1990s we perhaps find it easier to conceive of the treacherous incidents motivated more by domestic preoccupations and economic interests than by abstract concepts of the balance of power..."

Talking about what the Razakaars did, she said, "they found that their ambitions turned into defeat and ruin, while those members of the governing classes who had believed that war might consolidate the state and end the fear of revolution had to face the fact that war only produced the result it was intended to prevent..."

The experiences of the war, and especially of the trench warfare, have entered deeply into the language and imagery of this country and continue to haunt the imagination of writers and artists...

Makbula Manzoor met Shireen Parveen at the office of Lalana in late 1960s. She vividly remembers that enterprising well-built lady, who was very lively. But very few gave her much importance...



Dedicated to her dear colleagues. Inset show the writer— Makbula Manzoor.

"From what I heard, on the morning of 13th December a few Bengalee men came to pick her up, saying they had some urgent matters to discuss. When her younger brother and son insisted to accompany her, they promised to bring her back soon..."



Chhatra Jubo Oikya Parishad brought out a procession in the city yesterday calling for communal harmony.

Compensation for damages of property of minority demanded

Bangladesh Chhatra-Jubo Oikya Parishad yesterday submitted a memorandum of five-point demand to the Home Ministry...

Earlier, it held a rally in front of the National Press Club to protest alleged attacks on Hindu temples and property at different places in retaliation for the demolition of Babri Mosque at Ayodhya in India on December 6.

Convener of the Parishad Tapash Pal presided over the meeting which protested the heinous act of the fundamentalist Hindus in India and also regretted subsequent violence against the minority here.

Painting show of Jamal Ahmed begins

A week-long drawing and acrylic exhibition of Jamal Ahmed, an international reputed artist, began at the Divine Arts gallery of Hotel Sonargaon yesterday, reports UNB.

Japanese Ambassador to Bangladesh Toshio Saiki inaugurated the exhibition. A total of 36 pieces of art work have been displayed in the exhibition.

The show will remain open from 9 am to 8 pm till December 18.

DU peace procession today

By DU Correspondent Teachers, students and employees of the Dhaka University will bring out a peace procession today (Sunday) demanding maintenance of communal harmony across the country.

No classes will be held today from 11 am to 12 noon because of the programme.

Led by the Vice-Chancellor Professor Emajuddin Ahmed the procession will begin from the Aparajeo Bangla of the university at 11 am.

The Dhaka University Teachers' Association (DUTA) earlier proposed the peace procession to the VC following the incident of demolition of the 16th century Babri Mosque at Ayodhya in India.

Indian cloths worth Tk 1,50,000 seized, two held

Police seized Indian cloths worth Tk 1,50,000 from Elephant Road in the city yesterday and arrested two youngmen in this connection, reports UNB.

The arrested were identified as: Shahid (21) and Monir Hossain (22).

A police press release said that a police patrol of Dhanmondi thana searched a bus (Pabna-BA-318) on suspicion in front of Aeroplane Mosque on Elephant Road at about 5 am and recovered 1964 metres of Indian cloths. Shahid and Monir were arrested with the cloths.

Protest against demolition of Babri Mosque on

One hundred one intellectuals of the country under the banner of Zia Parishad yesterday deplored the demolition of Babri Mosque in India by Hindu fanatics and urged the people of Bangladesh to maintain peace and religious harmony.

The intellectuals also urged the Indian government to immediately reconstruct the Babri Mosque by removing the newly constructed temple from the Babri Mosque premises and ensure the safety of the Muslims in India.

They said Bangladesh Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia had taken adequate measures to maintain religious harmony in Bangladesh which provides a unique example of communal harmony.

The signatories included Rajshahi University Vice-Chancellor Prof Anisur Rahman, Islami University Vice-Chancellor Prof ANM Abdul Hamid, eminent journalist Gias Kamal Chowdhury, daily Telegraph Editor Reaz Uddin Ahmad, journalists Borhan Ahmad and Syed

Mehbah Uddin Ahmad and Zia Parishad president Kabir Morad.

The Zia Parishad will bring out a peace procession today at 3.30 pm from in front of the Jatiya Press Club.

Chittagong district unit of Jatiyatabadi Ainjibi Forum today expressed indignation at the demolition of the 16th century Babri Masjid at Ayodhya in India by Hindu fanatics on December 6.

In the general meeting of the forum held at the auditorium of Chittagong District Bar Association building with Advocate Abu Sayed in the chair opined that the destruction of the historic Babri Masjid had hurt the religious sentiments of the Muslims and as such the razed Masjid should be rebuilt immediately.

The meeting appealed to all sections of people to maintain peace and harmony among different communities. It decided to hold a peace procession tomorrow.



JAGPA procession in the city yesterday to protest the demolition of Babri Mosque in India. — Star photo

Anniversary of disappearance of three brothers today

The 21st anniversary of disappearance of the three brothers — Azmal Hossain, Selim Reza and Nasir Uddin will be observed today (Sunday) at their village home at Pubail, Gazipur, says a press release.

Quran khwani and milad mahfil will be held at Rahmania Orphanage and Madrasha at Pubail.

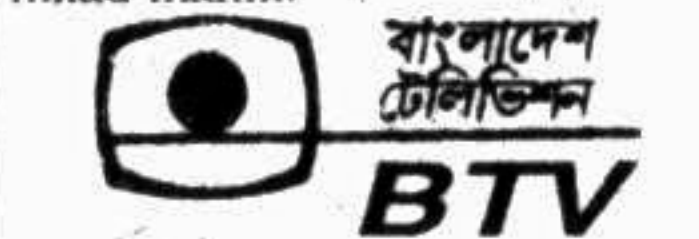
It may be mentioned that on this day in '71 Pak occupation forces in collaboration with Al-Badar gangsters picked them up.

Anniversary of Ismail Hossain's death today

By Staff Correspondent

The 21st death anniversary of shaheed Ismail Hossain Choudhury, the then General Secretary of the National Bank of Pakistan Employees Association will be observed today (Sunday) with due solemnity.

The day's programme include, placing wreaths at the Shaheed Minar built in memory of shaheed Ismail and holding of Quran Khwani and milad mahfil.

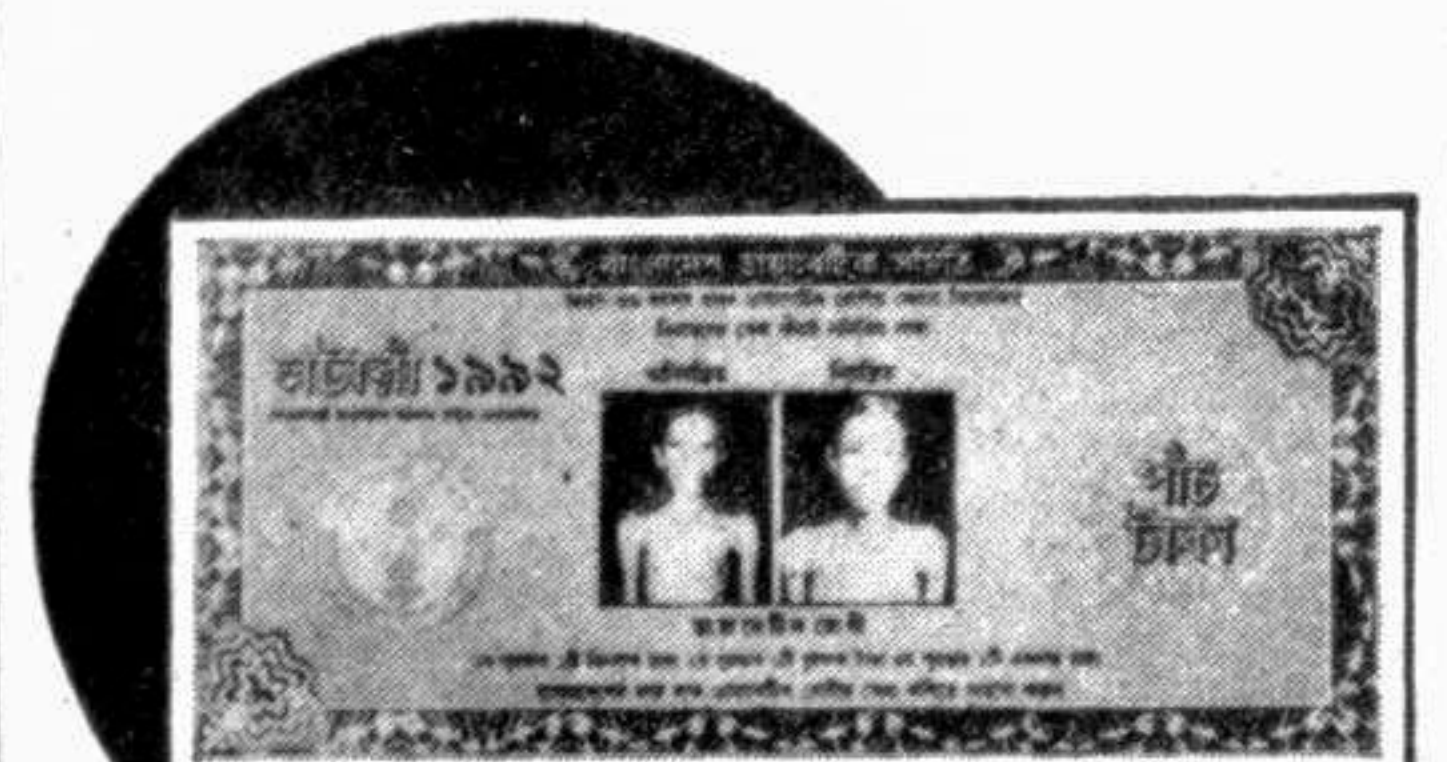


Sunday

- 5.00 Opening announcement Al-Quran
5.10 Programme summary
5.10 News in Bangla
5.20 Recitation from the Bible
5.30 Sports programme: Cricket
6.30 Open University
7.05 Tagore songs
8.00 News in Bangla
8.30 Documentary: Mina Dakkhin Asia Kannya Shishu
9.00 Drama series: Oshin
10.00 News in English
10.35 Chhayachandha
11.30 Khabar/The News
11.40 Monday's programme summary
11.45 Closing

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৫ টাকার টিকিট, ১০ লক্ষ টাকা পুরস্কার



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Weather Temperature may fall

By Staff Correspondent

Weather is likely to remain dry with fair sky over the country during the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today (Sunday).

The minimum temperature of 9.5 degree Celsius was reported from Faridpur and Srimangal yesterday (Saturday) and the maximum of 28.0 degree was from Bhola.

The sun sets today Sunday at 5.13 pm and rises tomorrow Monday at 6.33 am.

The maximum and the minimum temperature and humidity of some of the major cities and towns of the country yesterday were:

Table with 4 columns: Cities/Towns, Temperature in degree Celsius (max, min), Humidity in percentage (9 am, 6 pm). Rows include Dhaka, Chittagong, Rajshahi, Khulna, Cox's Bazar, Sylhet, Dinajpur, Barisal.

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