Speakers at seminar on Bangladesh

Rich-poor gap on increase

By Staff Correspondent

building up a solid ideological

foundation for the country and

said that we have to make an

agreeable consensus between

what we want and what we can

ry in his key-note paper

pointed out that the country

was on a backward direction

from the goals of achieving real

democracy, equal rights and

in the constitution, the objec-

tives of the state was always on

that the investment climate in

the country was still very dull

because of syphoning of capital

out of the country smuggling

and lack of marketing scope

the poverty alleviation was im-

possible to achieve with the

people remaining illiterate and

While commenting on the

nature of bureaucracy in the

country, former ESCAP Secre-

tary General Shah AMS Kibria said that in the developed

unskilled, the paper added.

It has become evident that

change, the paper said.

within the country.

Whatever might be envisaged

The paper also pointed out

opportunities.

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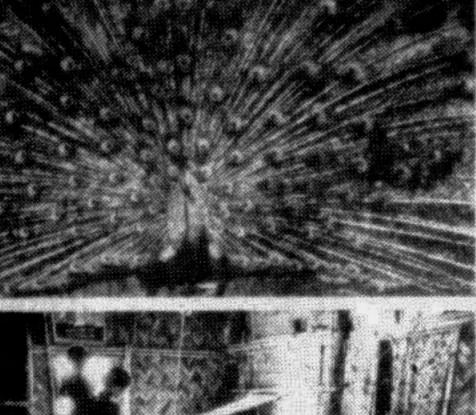
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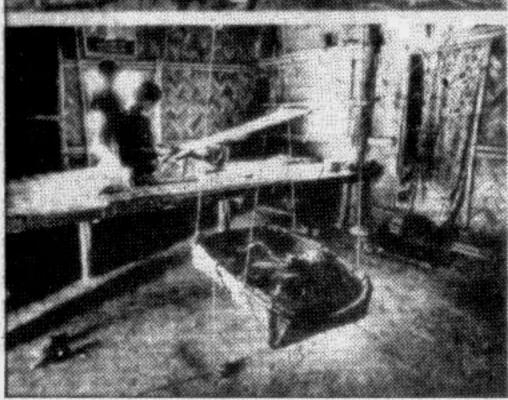
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Of Life and Living

by Fayza Haq







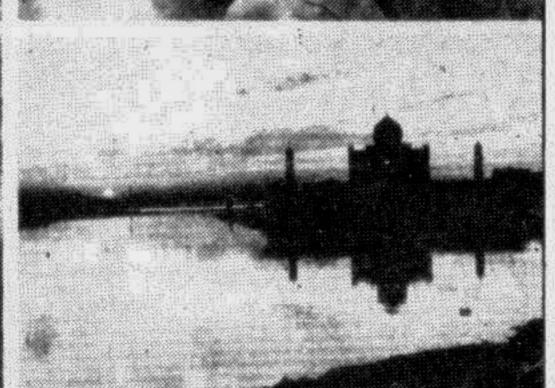
An exhibition of the works of four photographers - Rashid Talukdar, Shahidul Alam, Gholam Mustafa and Bijon Sarkar - was recently held at the Shilpakala Academy. It was organised by the Bangladesh Photographic Society.

Rashid Talukdar had a photo of a peacock with all its feathers spread out. The beauty of the peacock's tail is shown in all its details. In another entry Talukdar showed a religious festival in which the neighbourhood was being fed with rich food. In the next piece he had the portrait of Nazrul in his old age, seen in a pensive mood. In another photo he depicted a torn and battered sail being flaunted by a boat in the river. In yet another photograph he depicted an overwhelming crowd in the street.

Talukdar has worked as a press photographer for thirty-tour years, working for "Ittefaq", "Sangbad" and the Press Information Department. He is a member of several photographic societies in Bangladesh and has won fifty-three awards at home and abroad, In places like France and England. He has two gold medals to his credit. His photographs have been published in many books and magazines including the East Asia Encyclopaedia.

Shahidul Alam had a very realistic picture in grey and black of the "Bischo Estemah". In another photograph he had captured a woman wading through the flood waters in a highway in Kamalapur in '88. The fear and confusion of the flood was well brought in. In another photo he showed some villagers whose land had been





taken by the well-to-do for shrimp cultivation. His Chakma home in Bandarban brought in all the details of a Chakma family daily routine.

A self-taught photographer Shahidul Alam won the "Norval shield" and the "Harvey Harris Trophy" in '83. Today he is the managing director of "Drik" and the Principal of Bangladesh Photographic Institute. He has, currently, three touring exhibitions on rickshaws (Ireland), deluging waters (UK), and storm (Europe).

Gholam Mustafa had an entry in which he showed a delightful combination of village children going home with their catch of fish. Another showed a potter hard at work. Another entry portrayed the village woman struggling in the fields. He showed fishermen netting fish, and half a dozen vultures perched on a tree in a final

Trained at the Begrt Institute of Photography, he has won three international awards. He has assignments with MIT and with the shipbuilding

Bijon Sarkar, with his experience of forty years, had an old mosque surrounded by water as one of his pride entries. He had another photo showing a man sleeping in a tunnel of a sewer. Another delineated the startling lights of speeding cars in Dhaka traffic. He also depicted village scenes. Bijon Sarkar has won two prizes, one at Tokyo and the other at Denmark.

Although this exhibition was welcome enough it failed to come up to the level of some of the photographic exhibitions seen at the Alliance Francaise, La Galerie or the Goethe Institut.

Speakers at the seminar emphasised the need for

A seminar titled "Bangladesh: Past two decades and the present decade" Friday observed that disparity between the rich and the poor had continued to grow wider in the country.

It called for reducing the gap and building up an exploitation-free and democratic society based on equal rights and opportunities.

Organised by the Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad (BUP), the seminar was held at the Planning and Development Academy auditorium at Nilkhet in the capital.

BUP Chairman Professor Qazi Kholiquzzaman Ahmad presided over the seminar in which Prof Serajul Islam Chowdhury, Department of English, Dhaka University presented the key-note paper.

The seminar was a follow-up of an earlier seminar on the topic organised by BUP in which papers on seventeen different fields in national life were dealt with.

A host of politicians, Members of the Parliament, economists, former bureaucrats, sociologists, university scholars and researchers took part in the largely-attended seminar and in the discussion which followed.

administrators and guardian of the law and order, and not as the associate of the development entrepreneurs.

The most important factor for the development was mass education, he observed, adding that creative workforce in the country was also required.

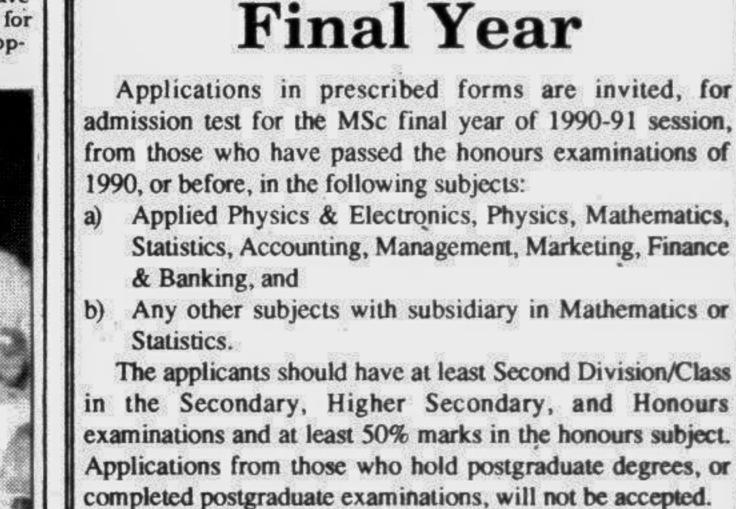
Former Planning Commission member SM Al-Husseini pointed out that the government should go more enthusiastically with its privatisation and the open market economy.

Veteran journalist M Obaidul Huq emphasised that the country's media should be brought up as the partner in the development efforts and newspapers should emphasise more on the development aspects.

Former Cabinet Secretary M Mujibul Huq pointed out that no government had ever tried to manipulate the capacity of the local government for the development of the country.

Bangladesh Mahila Parishad leader Aesha Khanam felt depressed about the condition of the womenfolk in the country.

Abdur Rauf MP of BNP said that the political leaders have to go to the grass-root level for implementation of the developcountries, bureaucrats work as ment programmes.



The application forms and necessary information can be obtained from the Agrani Bank, Curzon Hall Campus, Dhaka University by depositing Tk. 200/= (Taka two hundred) only from 1-8-93 to 12-8-93. The completed application forms together with attested copies of certificates, marksheets from the boards and the universities and two passport-size photographs should be submitted to the office of the chairman by 12-8-93. The admission test will be held on 27-8-93. Other necessary information regarding the matter can be obtained from the departmental office.

> Dr. M. Lutfar Rahman Chairman



Professor Serajul Islam Chowdhury of English Department (extreme left), Dhaka University, reading out the key-note paper at the seminar organised yesterday by the Bangladesh Unnayan Parishad. Parishad Chairman Prof Qazi Kholiquzzaman Ahmad (centre) and Dr Mizanul Huq MP are also seen. — Star photo

Hafiz at prize giving ceremony in Rajshahi

Nationalised sectors don't bring permanent welfare

Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Minister Mirza Golam Hafiz yesterday underscored the need for strengthening the cooperative movement to achieve economic

development, reports BSS. He was addressing a function of district level national cooperative prize distribution ceremony '93 of Rajshahi division at Zila Parishad Auditorium in Rajshahi.

The Law Minister said that cooperative system entrepreneurship was encouraged in our constitution along with private and nationalised entrepreneurship. The nationalised sectors do not bring effective and permanent welfare of the country, he said adding 'with this end in view the BNP government is pursuing pragmatic policy to revive and make dynamic the cooperative move-

The minister said "we have to strengthen the movement from the grassroots level to bring the vast poor masses. He also said, "if we could make the vast manpower to productive power through cooperative problem of unemployment and poverty alleviation will be

Hafiz said saheed President Ziaur Rahman had dreamt of building the cooperative sector. Expressing government's firm commitment in this regard, he urged the members of cooperative society to work with sincerity and honesty to make the

Rajshahi City Mayor said political independence would only be fruitful after achieving socio-economic development through the cooperative move-

Salahuddin Ahmed MP said new agricultural loan would be disbursed soon to the members of cooperative society. He stressed the need for avoiding bureaucratic bottleneck and maintaining good relation between the members of cooperatives and officials to make the

movement meaningful. Presided over by Divisional Commissioner Aminul Islam, the function was addressed, among others, by City Mayor Mizanur Rahman Minu, Chairman of Bangladesh National Cooperative Union Salahuddin Ahmed MP, Registrar of Cooperative Directorate Azizul Haq Bhuiyan, Joint Registrar of Cooperative Department Raishahi Division, Anwar Hossain and Chairman of District Cooperative Union Hasan Ali Sardar.

Special Kuwaiti envoy meets FM

Dharar A Razzougi, the visiting special envoy of Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, First Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Kuwait met the Foreign Minister, A S M Mostafizur Rahman yesterday morning at his office here, reports BSS.



Jean-Michel Lacombe, Arr bassador of France and his wife Myriam Lacombe held a reception on Wednesday at their residence on the occasion of the French National Day. The reception was attended by ministers, political leaders, high ranking civil and military officials, diplomats, journalists and other elite. The picture shows the French Ambassador speaking to Finance Minister Saifur Rahman and Jute Minister ASM Hannan Shah.

VC's threat to close JU slated

By JU Correspondent The Jahangirnagar University unit of the Muktijoddha Chhatra Command at a meeting Saturday criticised the Vice Chancellor for his reported remark of closing down the uni-

The JU VC, following assaults of two Islamic Chhatra Shibir (ICS) activists, said "I will be forced to close down the university if terrorist activities like this continue to occur", sources said.

Md Abu Bakar, a Masters examinee Geography department and Md Kafi of Archaeology department were assaulted on July 10 and 18 respectively by a group of agitated students

These ICS activists, earlier declared 'unwanted' on the campus by students, came to the campus to appear in the examinations in police custody. sources added.

All sorts of fundamental political activities have been 'banned' by the students since the killing of a Jatiyatabadi Chhatra Dal leader in August

IFDC chief, Majid exchange views

The visiting two-member delegation of International Fertilizer Development Centre (IFDC) called on Agriculture. Irrigation, Water Development and Flood Control Minister M Majid-ul Haq at his office yesterday, reports UNB.



Sunday Opening announcement Al Quran Programme summary News in Bangla Recitation from the

Tripitak Education Programme: Let's watch Sports programme: Cricket Women's programme: (Mayeder Janney) 7:00 Open University Tagore songs News in Bangla Ontorale Amt 9:05 Film: Raven

10:00 News in English 10:30 Discussion Programme 10:50 Sur Lohori 11:30 Khabar/The News 11:40 Tomorrow's programme summary 11:45 Closing

UCEPwill set up four schools in Rajshahi

RAJSHAHI, July 17: Under Privileged Childrens educational Programme (UCEP) will set up four schools in the city. Two of the schools will be set up in 1994-95 fiscal year while the UCEP will provide all educaother two will be set up in tional expenditure of the stu-1995-96, reports BSS.

A deed in this connection was signed today at the office room of Rajshahi city Mayor. Rajshahi city Mayor Mizanur Rahman Minu was present on the occasion.

Director of UCEP Dr Ahmadullah and Secretary of Rajshahi City Corporation (RCC) Sheikh Muklesh Ahmed signed

Iraqi envoy hosts reception

The Charge D'Affaires of Iraq in Bangladesh, Tarik Sadiq Jafar, held a reception here yesterday on the occasion of the National Day of the Republic of Iraq, reports BSS.

The "vin de honner" was attended by Women Affairs and Social Welfare Minister Tarigul Islam, diplomats, journalists, politicians, officials and elite of the city.

the deed on behalf of their organisations.

The UCEP director said, about 150 to 200 students will be admitted in each school. dents. The students will also be provided with vocational train-

Scouts officials to attend confce abroad

A 15-member representative and observer team of Bangladesh Scouts led by its chief National Commissioner Manzurul Karim left here yesterday for Bangkok to attend the 33rd World Scouts Conference there, reports BSS.

The five- day conference will begin on July 19 at the Thai

Meanwhile, a press release says : Shafique Alam Mehdt, military Estate Administrator of Dhaka Cantonment and Deputy National Commissioner of Bangladesh Scouts is also expected to leave for Bangkok today to attend the same.

Weather

Temperature may rise

By Staff Correspondent

Weather forecast valid for the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today (Sunday) says, light to moderate rain or thundershowers accompanied by temporary gusty wind may occur at many places over Chittagong. Barisal divisions and at a few places over Dhaka, Khulna and Rajshahi divisions.

The Met office forecasts, day temperature is likely to rise by one to two degree Celsius over the country

The country's highest temperature yesterday of 33.6 degree Celsius was recorded in Srimangal and the lowest 20.4 degree was in Chandpur. The chief amounts of rainfall recorded in different areas of

the country during day time yesterday are: Comilla and Barisal 21 mm each, Faridpur 11 mm and Dhaka 9 mm. The sun sets today (Sunday) at 6.48 pm and rises tomorrow (Monday) at 5.22 am.

The maximum and the minimum temperature and humidity recorded in some of the major cities and towns of the country vesterday were:

Humidity in Temperature in Cities/Towns percentage degree Celsius 6 pm Min 9 am 310 25.0 Dhaka 78 24.9 Chittagong 31.6 91 90 26.2 33.1 Raishahi 86 82 82 32.2 27.0 Khulna 97 24.0 32.2 Bartsal 32.0 25.0 Cox's Bazar 82 25.1 Sylhet 33.4 26.4 32.0 Dinajpur

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18th July, 1993

(In short form)

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AGENDA

SPECIAL BUSINESS

To consider and if thought fit to pass with or without modification, the following resolutions as Special Resolutions.

- "Resolved that subject to the approval of the Government under Section 11 and other applicable provisions if any of the Companies Act 1913 signified in writing, the name of the Company be changed from "Pfizer Laboratories (Bangladesh) Limited" to "Renata Limited"
- "Resolved further that with effect from the date on which the name of the Company changes to "Renata Limited" the name "Pfizer Laboratories (Bangladesh) Limited "wherever it appears in the Memorandum of Association of the Company (save and except subclause 1 of Clause III of the Memorandum of Association), shall stand deleted and the name "Renata Limited" substituted in its place.
- "Resolved further that with effect form the date on which the name of the Company changes to "Renata Limited, the name "Pfizer Laboratories (Bangladesh) Limited" wherever it appears in the articles of Association of the Company (save and except Article 6 of the Articles of Association) shall stand deleted and the name "Renata Limited" substituted in its place"
- "Resolved further that Article 133 of the Aritcles of Association shall stand deleted and the following revised Aritcle 133 substituted in its place:

"133 Subject to the provisions of the Act and these Articles. the Directors may from time to time, appoint one or more members of the Board of Directors as Managing Director of Managing Directors of the Company on such terms and for such period as they may determine and like wise the Directors may remove a Managing Director or Managing Directors from office. A Managing Director or Managing Directors so appointed shall not while holding that of fice or officess, require any share qualification or be subject to retirement by rotation or be taken into account in determining the retirement of Directors by rotation, A Managing Director shall ipso facto vacate office in the event of his ceasing to be a Director of the Company".

By order of the Board S.H. Kabir Chairman & Managing Director

NOTE:

- A member entitled to attend and vote at the Meeting may appoint a proxy. Shch proxy need not be a member of the Company. The proxy form must be stamped with revenue stamp of TK.4.00 and should be deposited at the Registered office of the Company not later than 72 hours before the Meeting.
- Members are requested to notify change of address, if any, to the Company,
- An explanatory note appears in the Notice calling the Extraordinary General Meeting. which notice has been forwarded to the members of the Company by registered post.