

## Dhaka Day by Day

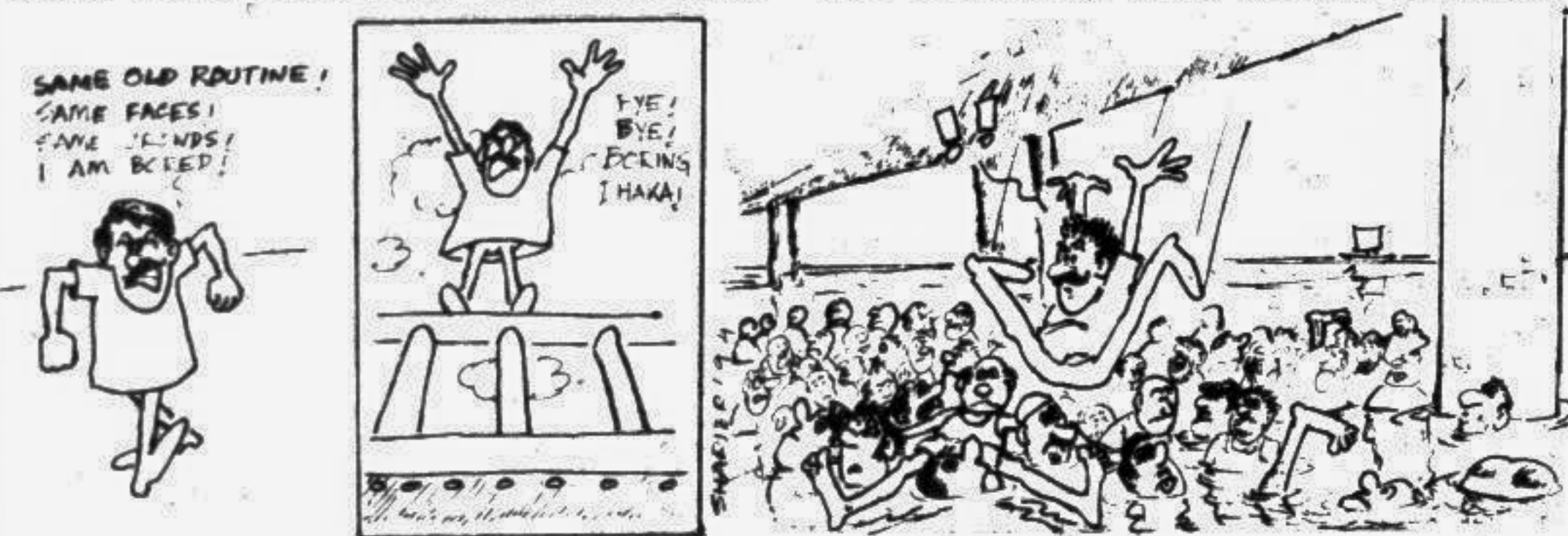
### The City of Boredom

by Raffat Binte Rashid

Weekends, just like the weekdays are no different in Dhaka. They are precisely predictable in an unpredictable way. Dhaka has few things to offer to its bored and tired inhabitants. For the ones who come to visit the city from mufassil towns, the mere sight of the Ramna Park or the parliament building is enough of an entertainment, or the rickshaw ride to Old Dhaka or Gausia is fun for the ones who came from the States or England for their summer holidays, but what is there for its veteran residents. Nothing new, for sure.

For the tiny tots and the young ones there is hardly any open space left to play near their homes. Shishu Park is no fun either after two visits, the new children's park, Mela is congested and far off for many. There are no fields

signing files or writing official letters or chalking new plans for a next project and calling their girlfriend/boyfriend, saying 'this weekend, I promise'. But when the weekend is here, there is no good movie screened anywhere in Dhaka City, no cultural show, no display or exhibitions of anything other than a few similar boring faces. No place to sit and chat. The same story everywhere. For the newly married ones visiting relatives is a must not a pleasure. They cannot plan a weekend away in the outskirts of Dhaka. No respectable but cheap hotels, no transport, no relatives farmhouse either. For the ones in late thirties and forties it is the same picture, playing cards or going to the clubs. It is much worse for their wives, their whole life is a prolonged



of green grass wet with dew to run about or to fly kites, no fresh air to breathe. The zoo, which rarely crosses any mind is the same, and even if they visit, the memory will not keep them entertained for long. Moreover it's a different picture with people in their teens. All these options, for these teenagers, are absolutely boring and demeaning to their newly acquired 'prestige'. Other than going to the ice-cream parlours — that too only a handful of them in the city, with friends and to those big departmental stores to buy a bar of chocolate or two, their main pastime is going to the video clubs and watch Terminator or Predator type movies or watching M Jackson's 'Dangerous' and like the queen would say 'I'm bored, entertain me' — only there would be no Jackson to sing.

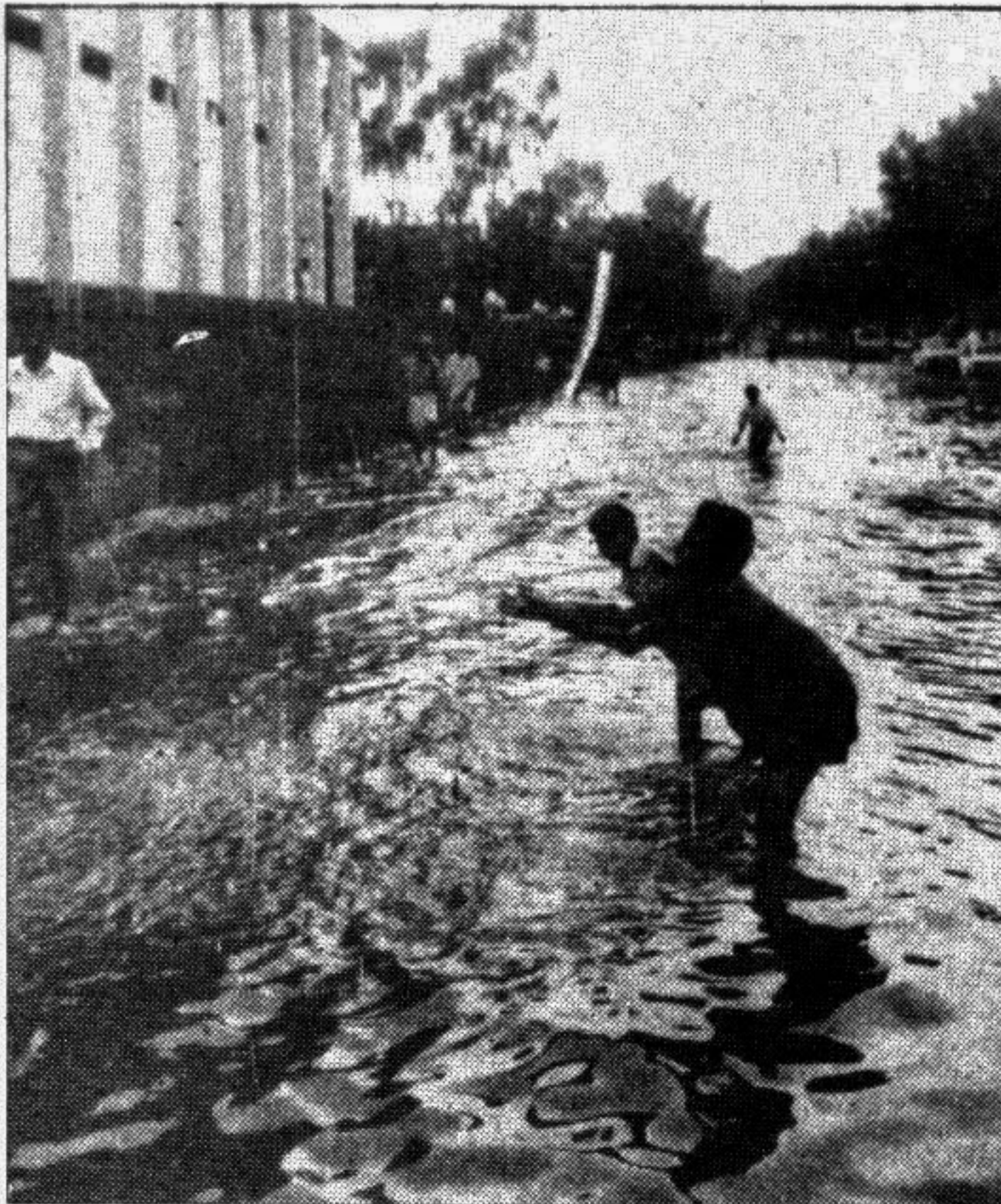
Life is entirely dull for those in their mid twenties and early thirties. The week passes by

weekend of some sort. Even the TV programmes those days are no fun at all.

How could things be changed, how could Dhaka residents be charged and made vibrant?

There is a subtle revolution going on in the entertainment world all right, yet nothing significant is marked. There are restaurants like the Skyroom, Sajna, but how many of the middle class Dhakaites frequent them for dinners or lunches. There are musical programmes by Gulam Ali, Nitin Mukesh, Runa Laila or fashion shows but how many could afford the tickets?

Simple pleasures are hard to come by in this city. Seeing the Dhammondi lakeside green, with wooden benches to sit on, children feeding swans or amusements parks for all ages is not likely to figure in a plan for the distant future. A fresh and relaxed mind is the fuel for the brain, let's not forget that.



Abdul Gani Road, in front of the Secretariat buildings in the city, was submerged due to yesterday afternoon's heavy monsoon downpour. — Star photo.

## What's on today . . .

**Ritwik and Chalachitram Film Societies:** An Italian film *Bicycle Thieves*, directed by Vittorio De Sica, will be screened as part of its European film session. Venue: German Cultural Centre auditorium. Time: 6 pm

**Godard Retrospective:** Zahir Raihan Film Society will screen the film *Alphaville*. Venue: Alliance Francaise auditorium. Time: 6 pm.

**Nazrul Academy:** The academy has organised programmes to observe the death anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore. Venue: Nazrul Academy auditorium, Moghbazar. Time: 6:30 pm.

**BIAM:** Bangladesh Institute of Administration and Management will hold a certificate-giving ceremony of a week-long training course. Chief guest: Minister for Labour and Manpower Abdul Mannan Bhuiyan. Special guests: State Minister for Establishment M Amrul Haq and Principal Secretary to PM A N M Yusuf. Venue: BIAM Bhavan, 63 New Eskaton. Time: 5 pm.

**Rotary Club of Dhaka Metropolitan:** The regular weekly meeting will be held. Venue: Sheraton Hotel. Time: 5:30 pm.

## UNAB symposium held

The United Nations Association of Bangladesh (UNAB) organised a symposium at its office the city yesterday on the occasion of Hiroshima Day, reports UNB.

Eminent educationist and historian Prof Salahuddin Ahmad presided over the meeting. Speakers narrated the tragic event of bombing in Hiroshima and Nagasaki during the World War II.

They also called upon the people of the world to strengthen the noble cause of world peace and work for the welfare of mankind.

It was addressed by general secretary of the Bangladesh Peace Council Ali Akbar, journalist Santosh Gupta, Prof Mohammad Raisuiddin and advocate Syed Ahmad Hossain.

## BCS (edn) assoc concerned over attack on teacher

By Staff Correspondent

The BCS General Education Association in a statement Saturday expressed grave concern over the attack on the Principal of Suhrawardy College in Magura for taking legal action against those students who adopted unfair means during H S C examinations.

In a statement, its president Dr A T M Habibur Rahman and general secretary Abu Yusuf demanded punishment to the persons involved.

The statement said Principal Prof Mahtabuddin Sarker took legal action against some students for adopting unfair means during the examinations. Later, on Thursday night some miscreants attacked the residence of the principal and stabbed him seriously with a Chinese axe, the statement alleged.

The leaders of the association said similar attacks were made on the teachers earlier. But unfortunately, the government failed to take appropriate measures against the miscreants, the statement alleged.



Sunday

4:30 Opening announcement  
4:45 Anu Paramanu: Science programme  
5:10 News in Bangla  
5:20 Cartoon: Tom and Jerry  
5:40 Kids Show  
5:40 Sports programme  
6:30 Health programme: Jiboner Jarniya  
7:00 Open University  
7:25 Tagore songs  
8:00 News in Bangla  
8:30 Taka Ana Kori: Programme on Business  
9:00 Drama series: Tipu Sultan  
10:00 News in English  
10:30 Sur Lahori: Classical programme  
11:30 Khabar/The News  
11:45 Closing

## Huda for vocational training of women prisoners

Information Minister Nazmul Huda yesterday said the government would consider training up women prisoners in the prison so that they could earn livelihood after release, reports UNB.

Addressing as chief guest a seminar on 'Rehabilitation of Released Women Prisoners and Convicts' at UNIC auditorium, Huda underlined the

need for vocational training of women prisoners so that they could be rehabilitated outside jail.

Speaking on the weaknesses in law enforcement, Huda said granting bail to murder criminals, pending cases and many other obstacles delayed ensuring justice in right time.

Asia Crime Prevention

Foundation (ACPPF) in collaboration with United Nations Information Centre (UNIC) organised the seminar which was also addressed by District and Sessions Judge Md Abdus Salam, Director of United Nations Asia and Far East Institute (Japan) Kunihiko Horiuchi and Resident Representative of Japan International Co-operative Agency Hironao Suzuki.

## ইনস্টিটিউট অব ব্যাংকার্স, বাংলাদেশ

জাতীয় কাউন্ট ডাউন, নবম তলা

৭০/১, ইনার সার্কুলার রোড

কাকরাইল, ঢাকা-১০০০।

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## পরীক্ষা বিজ্ঞপ্তি

ইনস্টিটিউটের পরবর্তী ব্যাংকিং ডিপ্লোমা পরীক্ষা (১ম ও ২য় পর্ব) আগামী ২০শে অক্টোবর, ১৯৯৪ইং থেকে দেশের সকল জেলা সদরে অনুষ্ঠিত হবে। ইচ্ছুক প্রার্থীগণ পরীক্ষার এন্ট্রি ফরম জমা দেয়ার বিস্তারিত তথ্যাদি ইনস্টিটিউটের কার্যালয়, সোনালী ব্যাংকের আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয়/প্রিন্সিপাল অফিস/বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের প্রধান কার্যালয়সহ চট্টগ্রাম, সিলেট, বগুড়া, রাজশাহী ও খুলনা থেকে সংগ্রহ করতে পারবেন।

বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের প্রার্থী, ব্যক্তিগত অন্যান্য ব্যাংক ও অর্থলগ্নীকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্রার্থীগণ তাদের স্ব-স্ব ব্যাংক ও অর্থলগ্নীকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্রধান কার্যালয়ের কর্মচারী বিভাগ/স্থানীয় কার্যালয়/প্রিন্সিপাল অফিস/আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয়ে প্রয়োজনীয় ফিসসহ পরীক্ষার এন্ট্রি ফরম জমা দিবেন। বাংলাদেশ ব্যাংকের প্রার্থীগণ তাদের যথাযথ কর্তৃপক্ষের নিকট পরীক্ষার ফিসসহ এন্ট্রি ফরম জমা দিবেন, তবে যে সকল ব্যাংক/অর্থলগ্নীকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্রিন্সিপাল অফিস/আঞ্চলিক কার্যালয় নেই সে সকল ব্যাংক/অর্থলগ্নীকারী প্রতিষ্ঠানের প্রার্থীগণ তাদের শাখা প্রধানের নিকট প্রয়োজনীয় ফিসসহ এন্ট্রি ফরম জমা দিবেন। কোন অবস্থাতেই ব্যক্তিগত পর্যায়ে প্রার্থীদের নিকট থেকে ইনস্টিটিউট সরাসরি ফরম গ্রহণ করবে না।

বর্তমান ফিসসহ এন্ট্রি ফরম জমা দেয়ার শেষ তারিখ ৬ই সেপ্টেম্বর, ১৯৯৪ইং এবং বিলম্ব ফিসসহ ১১ই সেপ্টেম্বর, ১৯৯৪ইং। "পরীক্ষার ফিসঃ ১ম পর্ব টাকা ১২০/- ও ২য় পর্ব টাকা ১৪০/-, বিলম্ব ফিসঃ ১ম পর্ব টাকা ৫/- ও ২য় পর্ব টাকা ৭/-। সদস্য ফিস টাকা ৪০/- ও ভর্তি ফিস টাকা ৬০/- (শুধুমাত্র নতুন সদস্যদের জন্য)। বিষয়গোষ্ঠী পাস ফেলের সংবাদ সদস্যদের প্রেরণ বাদে ডাক খরচ টাকা ১২/-।"

যে সমস্ত পরীক্ষার্থী '১৯৯৪ইং সনের পূর্বে সদস্য হয়েছেন অথচ সদস্য ফিস বকেয়া আছে তারা নিম্নলিখিত হারে সদস্য ফিস পরিশোধ করবেনঃ

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## One killed in road mishap

By DMCH Correspondent

One person was killed and another one was injured in separate incidents in the city yesterday.

The victim Md Mosharraf Ullah, 28, was killed as a speeding motor bike knocked him down at Dholaipar at about 1:30 pm yesterday.

Seriously injured Mosharraf was rushed to the Dhaka Medical College Hospital (DMCH) where the doctors on duty declared him dead.

In another incident one Mohammed Rafiq, 25, received bullet injuries in his legs at Jhikatola at about 7:30. He was admitted to the DMCH.

## Phensidyl worth Tk one lakh seized

RAJSHAHI, Aug 6: BDR personnel of 20 rifle battalion seized Indian phensidyl syrup worth about Taka one lakh from a Nawabgonj-Dhaka bound night coach near Birhaldah major on the Rajshahi-Natore road of the district yesterday, an official handout said, reports BSS.

The seized contraband were being carried in a mustard oil tin leveled with the molasses.

## CUJ calls off boycott programme

CHITTAGONG, Aug 6: Chittagong Union of Journalists (CUJ) today called off all its programmes after a meeting with senior police officials, led by CMP Commissioner Osman Ali Khan, reports UNB.

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