

Dhaka Day by Day

Balloon is a Target

by Neil Ray



Intense aim. — Star photo

The concentration looks to be as intense as that of a shooter contesting at an Olympic or World meet. But only that much. The rigorous training that is needed to reach the international standard is completely missing. It may even resemble a target shooting practice at one of the shooting ranges but for the target and the type of rifle. An air rifle, it aims at a large number of balloons closely arranged on a flat movable background. No one really needs any prior qualification to get into the competition.

That is the real fun in this amateurish sport. What one needs is a few bucks in the pocket to qualify for the competition. The competition then is not so much with any fellow or rival athletes as it is with the poor *balloonwalla* — or even *bandukwalla* — who wholeheartedly wishes the target practitioner to miss his balloons. So the two are actually locked in a struggle of will. One wanting to score as many hit on balloons as one can and the other wishing away any such hits.

Well, sometimes friends compete with each other to prove their better aims. On that account it is the *balloonwalla* who gains. Much as he may lose his small roundish, air-filled rubber things, he does not let anyone use the air rifle for free. He takes charge for that and it is exactly where profits should be on his side. Anyone with an accurate aim only makes a cut

By-pass road from Katchukhet to Banani soon

The construction work of a by-pass road from Katchukhet to Banani via Dhaka cantonment will start soon, reports BSS.

This was discussed in the 21st meeting of the parliamentary standing committee on the Ministry of Defence held at the Sangsad Bhaban yesterday with Agriculture and Water Resources Minister M Majid U-Haq in the chair.

The decision to construct this road has been taken to reduce the traffic jam and sufferings of the metropolis dwellers at minimum level. The Engineering-in-Chief (E-in-C) Branch of the Bangladesh Army will construct this road after getting financial allocation from the Finance Ministry.

The meeting also discussed the formation of an inquiry team to identify the responsible persons involved in setting up of the unprofitable multiple juice concentrated plant of Muktyjodha Kalayap Trust. The inquiry team will submit their report within a short time after finding out the responsible persons and other financial irregularities of this organisation occurred in the past.

Members of the committee Jute Minister A S M Hannan Shah, wing commander (ret'd) M Hamidullah Khan and professor Rezaul Karim of BNP and defence secretary M Hasinur Rahman attended the meeting.

Biswas, Khaleda greet President PM of Romania

President Abdul Rahman Biswas yesterday felicitated Ion Iliescu, President of Romania on the occasion of the national day of Romania today, reports BSS.

In another message Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia has felicitated Nicolae Vacaroiu, Prime Minister of Romania, on the occasion of the national day of Romania.

In her message Begum Zia expressed the hope that the existing ties of friendship will be further strengthened in the years ahead.

She wished for good health, happiness and long life for Nicolae and for the friendly people of Romania.

JS body on Home Ministry meets

The 23rd meeting of parliamentary standing committee on Home Ministry was held at the Jatiya Sangsad Bhaban yesterday with Home Minister Abdul Matin Chowdhury in the chair, reports BSS.

Activities of different departments under Home Ministry were discussed in the meeting.

Committee members Abdur Rouf Chowdhury and Abu Yousuf Mohammad Khalilur Rahman attended the meeting. Home Secretary Azimuddin Ahmed was present.

'Save country from destructive acts of Opposition'

Food Minister and Dhaka city BNP president Mir Shawkat Ali yesterday called upon the people of all strata to safeguard the country from the destructive acts of the Opposition, reports BSS.

He was addressing as the chief guest a workers rally of ward 38 unit of BNP in the city at Arjatarpara under Tejgaon thana.

State Minister for Textiles Abdul Mannan also spoke on the occasion.

Presided over by ward 38 unit of BNP president A S M Mominul Haq, the rally was also addressed, among others, by Tejgaon thana BNP president Abdul Wadud Master, general secretary Golam Sarwar and ward acting president Dr S K Chowdhury.

The city BNP president also urged the opposition to shun the path of violence.

Keramat Ali meets Saudi counterpart

Minister for Religious Affairs Muhammad Keramat Ali, now visiting Saudi Arabia Tuesday, called on his Saudi counterpart Dr Mahmud Bin Muhammad Safar Minister for Pilgrimage, at Jeddah and held detailed discussions on the arrangements of forthcoming hajj, according to a message received in Dhaka yesterday, reports BSS.

During the discussion last year's programme was reviewed and both the ministers expressed the hope that next year's hajj could be better arranged than before. They appreciated the efforts undertaken by the authorities concerned in two brotherly countries to render better services to the hajjis, the message added.



Participants performing acrobatic feats at the *lathi khela*, one of the traditional sports of the country, at city's Abahani Stadium yesterday. The Bangladesh Parjatan Corporation organised the competition as part of its Tourism Month '94 programme. — Star photo.

'Stop plying vehicles emitting black smoke'

The Directorate of Environment yesterday urged the owners not to bring on the streets those motor vehicles which emit black smoke, polluting atmosphere, reports BSS.

In a circular the Environment Directorate said, a survey conducted by it recently showed that the rate of air pollution had increased in Dhaka city and other towns due to emission of black smoke from different types of vehicles. Such black smoke could seriously endanger health of the people living in urban areas, it added.

The Environment Directorate called upon the owners not to bring out their transports on the streets without fitness certificate. It is a punishable offence to

operate transports on the streets which emit black smoke. Punitive measure has in the meantime been taken against the owners of 14,674 defective vehicles and the process is still on, it said.

In another circular the directorate said it noticed the propensity of throwing industrial pollutant into nearby rivers, canals or grounds from different industrial units across the country without purification. Such practice has been posing a serious threat to the health of people and aquatic animals, it said.

It further said, these industrial units have been given thirty days time to inform the directorate in writing of the steps taken by them to keep their surroundings pollution free.



Street comes to life with drama from today

By Staff Correspondent

A week-long street drama festival with a vow to rekindle the spirit of the War of Liberation begins at the Central Shaheed Minar in the city today.

Samay, a cultural troupe, has organised this theatrical gala in memory of late Jahannara Imam.

A photographic and book exhibition on the liberation war will also be held from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm everyday through December 7.

The Jahangirnagar Theatre, Subachan and Samay will present their productions today. Ashrafunnessa, mother of a martyr, will inaugurate

Obituary

CHITTAGONG, Nov 30: Srimath Dharma Rakkat Mohathero, the chief monk of Ratnankur Buddhist Temple at Beparipara under Chandanaisa thana here, passed away yesterday. He was 82, reports BSS.

CITY BANK'S 68TH BRANCH AT URDU ROAD

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সওজ অধিদপ্তরের দরপত্র আহবান বিজ্ঞপ্তি

নং ৩৫/সি,স,বি-১৯৯৪-৯৫ইং

১। দরপত্র বিজ্ঞপ্তি নং	৩৫/সি,স,বি-১৯৯৪-৯৫ইং
২। কাজের নাম	১৯৯৪-৯৫ইং অর্ধ কসের সিলেট সড়ক বিভাগের অধীন সিলেট-সুলতানপুর-বালপাড়া সড়কের ১০তম ও ১৩তম কিমি-৫ (১০/১, ১১/২, ১১/৩ এর ১৩/২ নং অর্ধ, সি,সি, বঙ্গ কালভার্ট নির্মাণ কাজ
৩। দরপত্র প্রার্থির কার্যালয়সমূহের নাম	নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারী/নির্বাহী প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক বিভাগ, মৌলভীবাজার/ সুনামগঞ্জ/ হবিগঞ্জ/পরিষ্কারনা ও নকসা বিভাগ, কুমিল্লা/ পরিষ্কারনা ও কার্যক্রম বিভাগ, ঢাকা/উপ-বিভাগীয় প্রকৌশলী, সওজ, সড়ক উপ-বিভাগ, সিলেট/ গোলাপপাড়া/বিশনাব ও যাজুক উপ-বিভাগ, সিলেট।
৪। দরপত্র গ্রহণকারী কার্যালয়সমূহের নাম	নিম্নস্বাক্ষরকারী/অতিরিক্ত প্রধান প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), কুমিল্লা/উত্তরাঞ্চলিক প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), সিলেট সড়ক সার্কেল, সিলেট/ উত্তরাঞ্চলিক প্রকৌশলী (সওজ), মনিচিরা/এই ইন্ডাস্ট্রিয়াল সার্কেল, ঢাকা।
৫। দরপত্র বিক্রয়ের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	১৮-১২-৯৪ইং অফিস চলাকালীন সময়ে
৬। দরপত্র গ্রহণের শেষ তারিখ ও সময়	১৯-১২-৯৪ইং দুপুর ১২.৩০ ঘটিকা
৭। দরপত্র খোলার তারিখ ও সময়	১৯-১২-৯৪ইং দুপুর ১২.৪৫ ঘটিকা
৮। প্রাক্কলিত মূল্য	টাকা ৫,৯৬,০৬৭/-
৯। বাস্তব টাকা	টাকা ১১,৯৬৮/-
১০। অনুমোদিত সময়সীমা	৯০ (নব্বই) দিন।
১১। প্রকৌশলীর যোগাযোগ	সওজ অধিদপ্তরের '৩' ইইতে সি বিএস শ্রেণীভুক্ত এবং সিলেট সড়ক সার্কেলের অধীন বিএস শ্রেণীভুক্ত প্রকৌশলী।

সৈয়দ রাশীদুল হাসান
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A visitor at a poster exhibition displaying the curse of AIDS at the National Press Club auditorium in the city yesterday. The Voluntary Health Services Society (VHSS) and the AIDS Network organised the show to mark the World AIDS Day today. — Star photo.

DUTA's concern over PM's comment

By DU Correspondent

The Dhaka University Teachers' Association (DUTA) yesterday strongly protested the Prime Minister's remarks at a student rally in the city on Tuesday that her party's student front alone could tackle the Opposition.

The DUTA called upon the people to foster national consensus to bring an end to the 'existing process' of using the

'Bartaman Sanglap' enters 2nd yr

Chairman of the Bangladesh Press Council Justice Sultan Hossain Khan yesterday urged the newspaper owners and the journalist community to uphold their professional integrity and quality for greater national interest, reports BSS.

Justice Khan was addressing as chief guest a function marking the completion of one year of the 'Bartaman Sanglap,' a monthly news magazine of Hakkani Mission Bangladesh, at the National Press Club here.

BCIC Tender Notice

বিসিআইসি'র পন্থা শিল্পায়নে জাতীয় অগ্রগতির প্রতীক

Sealed quotations are invited by the Managing Director, Lira Industrial Enterprise Ltd, 82, Tongi Industrial Area, Gazipur for the following:

Sl No	Tender No	Description	Price of Tender Document (Non-refundable)	Terms of Delivery	Due Date of Opening	Earnest Money	Source of Finance
1.	Lira/Pur/F-5/94-95	PVC Resin	Tk 300/-	C&F (C) Ctg	13.12.94	1%	SEM/WES any suitable source

Tenders will be received up to 12.30 PM on the date mentioned above and will be opened in presence of the tenderers if any. Tender documents with detailed specification will be available on all working days from BCIC Accounts Division, 30-31, Dilkusha C/A, Dhaka, Accounts Division of Lira Industrial Enterprise Ltd, 82, Tongi Industrial Area, Gazipur and BCIC Branch Office, 6, Agrabad, Chittagong. No Tender schedule will be sold on the opening day. Management reserves the right to accept or reject the offer.

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a.	BOF/50/LP/D/Pur Dt. 08-11-1994	GMCS Strip and Various types of steel	1,20,860 Kg

2. Tender shall be dropped in the tender box kept in the Purchase Office of this Factories on 28 December, 1994 up to 11-45 a.m. and will be opened on the same day at 12 Noon in presence of participants or their representatives (if any).

3. Tender forms with detailed specification and terms & conditions will be available in the Purchase Office of this Factories on cash payment of Tk. 500/- (non-refundable) per set on all working days between 8-30 a.m. and 12-30 p.m. up to 27 December, 1994. Schedule will not be sold on the opening day.

4. Commandant, Bangladesh Ordnance Factories reserves the right to reject any or all of the tenders without showing any reason thereof.

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No. 40 (94-95)

Memo. No. 15-1/1007
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Sl. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Time Allowed
1	Replacing and renovation the extg. damaged & unserviceable security light & underground line and Providing Halogen light fittings of the Station Area in the compound of Radio Station, Dhamrai, Dhaka.	Tk. 4,14,440/-	Tk. 8,288/80	1 (one) month

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