

drama

Ghritang Pibet Enthralls Audience

Second Natyajan production staged

By Cultural Correspondent

JUNE 29. power failure, commonly known as load shedding is a common scene to Dhaka dwellers. But it did not trouble the patient drama viewers and critics as they waited anxiously for an hour to witness the performance by Nattojohn at the Guide House Auditorium.

'Ghritang Pibet', is a celebrated creation by one of the outstanding writers of this sub-continent, Promothnath Bisi. Among many of his comedy dramas Nattojohn staged 'Ghritang Pibet' under the direction of Tabibul Islam. 'Ghritang Pibet' is a comedy set in the 40's Indian socio-economic scenario. The characters in the play deceives each other in the fight for becoming rich the easiest and quickest way, getting married to a elite person's daughter. But as a result those impostors were also the victims of deception.

Written by Promothnath Bisi in the year 1943 (Bengali), 'Ghritang Pibet' that was staged at the Guide House Auditorium, is a shorter version of the main book. The principal characters 'promira' was played by Tazin Ahmed, 'sarbohawar' father of promira was characterized by Ahsanul Haque Minu, 'malabika' played



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by Memi were among the performances which were quite noticeable. 'Promira' lives at Sunny Villa of Sunny Park in the 40's India. Looking for a bridegroom her father appoints seven house tutors to teach her to be aristocrat, which was the measurement of status to him. But the bridegroom turns up to be an imposter.

One of the oldest comedies of Bengali culture, staging 'Ghritang Pibet' was not an easy task for the Natyajan production. The stage design was ordinary. The sound acoustics was very poor. Many words were not heard when the performers had to perform in a low voice. The drama had few chapters and each chapter started with a play back music of this continent, specially raag, ghazal and old classical songs to bring an impression of the time.

recitation

Poetry Come Alive Through Recitation

Three-day long recitation festival ended

JUNE 30. Shilpaka Academy with the help of 'Bangladesh Abkriti Somanay Parishad' organized a three day long festival titled 'Recitation Festival 1999' at the Public Library Auditorium. Started on the 28th of this month, the festival lasted three days. About ninety performers from all over the country took part in the festival. Thirty performers were allotted for each day which started from 7 p.m. The festival had three categories: solo recitation, duet recitation and dances with recitation.

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Shilpaka Academy started organizing such festival five years ago. Their first recitation festival was held in 1994. Since then they have been organizing such festivals each year. Their aim was to bring quality poetry closer to the poetry lovers and critics. "Many good poetry could not be cherished by the audience due to bad vocals, so we tried to bring good and quality reciters, so that the poetry could be cherished by the audience" remarked the director of the Shilpaka Academy.

The concluding day started by the recitation from the poetry of the revolutionary poet Kazi Nazrul Islam. Shafi Ahmed's authentic voice made the crowd speechless. Following Shafi Ahmed's performance was the recitation of a poetry of Jassimuddin by Rokon Chowdhury Baby. Khaled Khan, a well known dramatist and a performer recited 'khob' an exquisite poetry by Jibonanda Das. Another of Nazrul's poetry 'Polotoka' was recited by an outstanding performer Aleya Ferdousi. Many quality performer took part in the festival with some good poetry such as 'Bonolata' an masterpiece by Jibonanda Das, 'Jatri' by the great poet Rabindranath Tagore, 'Chobi' by Abu henra Mustafa Kamal, 'A-guner Fulki Chote' another of Nazrul's creation. Among the participants Khalid Khan, Shafi Ahmed, Flora Ferdousi, Kazi Abu Zafar Siddique, Aleya Ferdousi and Krishy Nejaf's performance was of extra ordinary quality.

The auditorium was full of poetry lover. The background music was so low frequency while the recitation was going on that sometimes it could not be noticed whether the music was going on or not. The stage was not that attractive.

new book

Tridib's Album of Love Poems



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T HE editor of the Penguin Love Poems wrote about 'in love' poems and poems 'about love' but did not elaborate much on the fine line between the two. We can very well guess what he was trying to point at. 'In love' poems would be more intimate than poems 'about love.' The recent collection of poems by born bohemian Tridib Dastider will fit nicely in Penguin editor's 'in love' category. Who can pronounce 'my love will make you bankrupt' if he is not passionately in love. Tridib's love poems are baring of a heart who can't live without love. It's quite amazing that at 40 plus this poet's heart is brimming with love. The 42-page photo album format brilliantly illustrated 'Bhalo Bastay Bastay Phatur Kare Deba' is collection to be consumed passionately and intimately. Priced at Tk 100, the volume produced in Tridib's handwritten script gives different flavour to otherwise dull love poems that are being churned out every now and then.

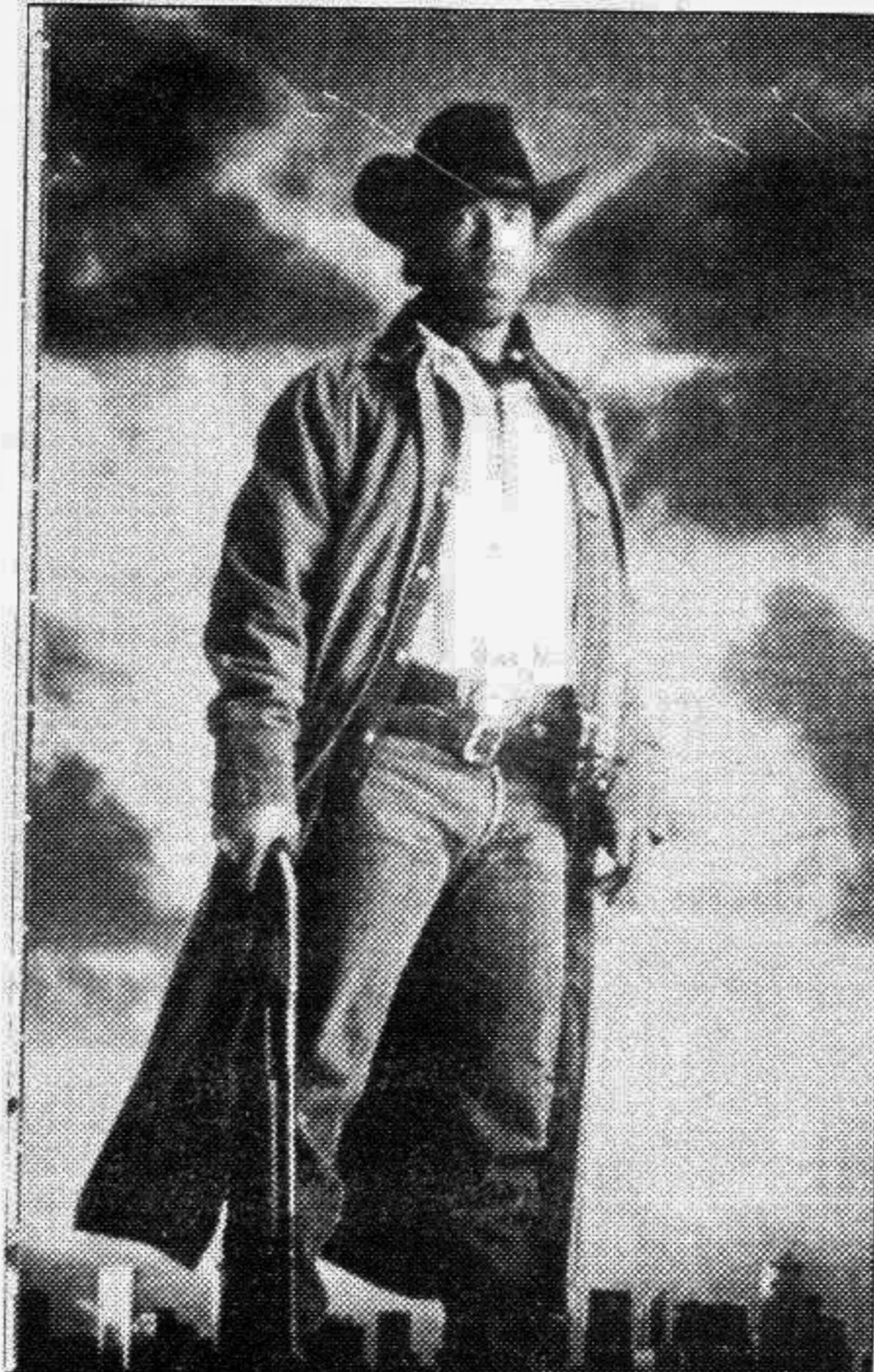
TV Guide

Thursday 1st July
(All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the programme)

BBC

6:00 BBC World News 6:15 World Business Report/ USA Direct/ Asia Today /24 Hours 9:00 BBC News inc. World Business Report/ Asia Today /24 Hours 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 USA Direct 11:30 Europe Direct 12:00 World News 12:30 World Living: Film India (Anchore- Victor benarjee) 1:00 World News 1:30 Talking Movies 2:00 BBC World News 2:30 World Focus: The Money Program 3:00 BBC World News 3:30 Hard Talk 4:00 BBC The World Today 6:30 Wild World-Wild Life :South Africa's Meerkats Divided 7:00 BBC World News 7:15 World Business Report 7:30 BBC The World Today 8:30 World Living-Top Gear -The Air Show 9:00 World News 9:30 Hard Talk 10:00 BBC World News 10:30 Money Wise Presented By Sucharita Ghose 11:00 The World Today 12:00 World News 12:30 Hard Talk: 1:30

CHANNEL [V]
8:30 Rewind VJ Sophiya 9:30 Zabardast Hits 12:00 House Arrest 12:30 Indian Top 10 1:00 Zabardast Hits 2:30 First Day First Show 3:00 Turn On T [V] 4:30 [V] Backbench 5:30 Turn On T [V] Teen Strip 7:30 First Day First Show 7:56 V News Bulletin 8:00 House Arrest 8:30 Rewind Special, VJ Sophiya 9:30 Turn on TV 10:00 Turn On T [V] 10:30 Sophiya's Choice 11:00 Turn On T [V] 11:30 Band at Bedtime 12:00 Over the Edge VJ Sophiya 12:30 Turn On T [V] 1:15 V News Bulletin 3:30 Turn On T [V]

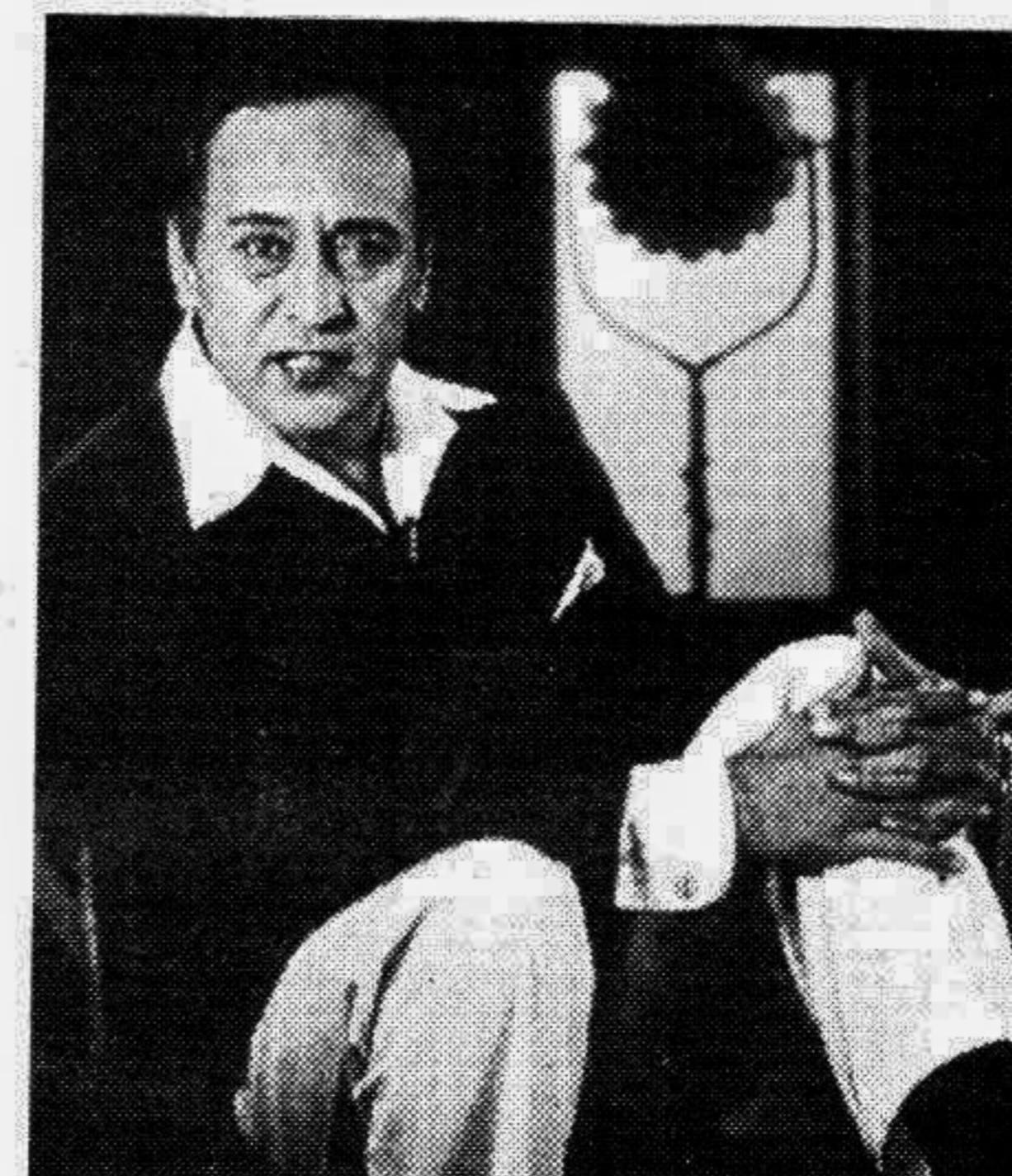


Walker, Texas Ranger on Star World at 11:00 pm

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ZEE INDIA TV

7:00 Jagran 7:30 to 11:30 PM Every Half Hour - Zee News Hindi 12:30 News in Hindi 1 2 : 5 7 News Headlines 1:00 App Ki Adalat 1:30 India Debates 2:00 Namaste India 2:30 Zee Sports Show 3:00 Session With Seshan 3:30 Centre Stage 4:00 Teer Kaman 4:30 Agenda 2000



Film India on BBC World at 12:30 pm

MTV INDIA

7:00 Non-Stop Hits 8:00 MTV Hanging Out VJ Rahul/Sonia 9:00 Classic MTV VJ Sarah/ Rahul 10:00 Non-Stop Hits 10:30 MTV Most Wanted VJ Nadya 11:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaz/Amrita/ Nikhil 12:30 MTV Hit Film Music 1:00 MTV House Full V Nafisa 1:30 MTV Ek Do Teen VJ Rageshwari 2:30 MTV Select VJ Nikhil 3:30 Love Line VJ Malaika 4:00 Non-Stop Hits 4:30 Pepsi Dance Connection Special-TV MTV 5:30 MTV Most Wanted VJ Nadya / Rahul 6:30 MTV Chill Out VJ Shehnaz/Amrita/ Nikhil 7:30 Made in India VJ Cyrus 8:00 MTV Hipshakers 8:30 Non-Stop Hits 9:30 MTV Hit Film Music 10:00 House Full VJ Nafisa 10:30 Destination Dance 11:30 The Grind (Beach Show) 12:30 Non-Stop Hits Continue..



Film India on BBC World at 12:30 pm

MUSIC ASIA

7:30 Aalaap 8:00 B&W Gems 8:30 All Time Hits 9:00 Hit Parade 9:30 World Premiere 9:45 Brake Fail 10:30 Hit Mix 11:00 Colgate Zig Zag Best



Film India on BBC World at 12:30 pm

PTV-2

8:00 Tilwat Aur Tarjuma/Hamid/Naat 8:20 Cartoom 8:30 Khabraan 8:45 Cut Piece 9:20 Aahang & Roshni 9:45 Phool Chandi 10:05 Serial 10:30 Buttons And Raast 10:55 Milli Nagma 1 1 : 0 0 Khabraan 11:10 Absar 11:55 Tele Play 12:45 Kawai 12:55 Koran-E-Hakim & Bismillah 1:15 Serial 2:00 Serial 2:45 Perspective & Health Forum 3 : 4 : 0 Talmi Malumat 4:35 Aurat Aur Kanoon 5:25 Serial 5:55 Serial: Chayaa 6:25 IOU Course: 7:05 Mukabil Hai Aaina 7:20 Ainnak Wala Zin 7:45 English News 8:05 Jawaan Sangeet 8:45 Serial 9:00 Break for Headline News 10:00 Khabarnama & Commercial News 10:35 Mast Mast Sanyo (Musical Show) 11:15 Sunhre Yodon 12:15 Serial: Khas Khas Khabraan- Close

12:00 Moneywise on BBC World at 10:30 pm

1:30 Itihaas 1:30 Waqt Ki Rafta 2:30 News in Hindi 2:40 News in English 2:50 Roop Suhane 3:00 Aap Ki Shanti 3:30 Sunhre Sapne 5:00 Choti Se Aasha 5:30 Music 6:00 Buzurgon Ke Liye 6:15 CIET Programme 6:30 Dilli Aajtak 6:45 Falak 7:00 Krishn Darshan 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Paricramma 8:00 Fera Fer 8:25 Geet Bahar 9:00 Samachar 9:30 The News 10:00 Idhar Udar 10:30 Serial: Nehle Pe Dehla 11:32 Iyadgaar 12:02 Spl. Prog

SONY TV

7:30 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Woh 8:00 Rissaprad 8:30 Movers & Shakers With Guest 9:00 Chartbusters 9:30 Cine Clips 10:00 Family Number 1 10:30 The Popadum Show 11:00 Just Mohabbat 11:30 Harmony 12:00 Movers & Shakers With Guest 12:30 Indian Holiday Anchore-Anu Malhotra 1:00 Chartbusters 1:30 Cine Clips 2:00 Boogi Woogi 2:30 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Woh 3:00 Ek Mahal Ho Sapo Ka 3:30 Junoon 4:00 Cine Matine-Hindi Feature Film 7:00 Pop-podium Show 7:30 Cine Clips 8:00 Chartbusters 8:30 Cool Gate- Boogi Woogi 9:05 Dil Vil Pyar Vaar 9:35 Sparsh 10:05 Bhanwar 10:40 Movers & Shakers 11:10 Ek Mahal Ho Sapo Ka 11:45 Junoon 12:15 Cine Clips 12:30 Cine Prime Film 3:00 Kabhi Yeh Kabhi Woh 3:30 Cine Nite Show-Hindi Feature Film: Jab The Fortnight 9:00 Orpat Telephone Pop O' Maha 9:30 Bajaj Music Box 10:00 Old Tavern Sizzlers 10:30 Jharokha 11:00

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10:30 Jannadin (Birthday Greetings) 10:35 Shree Ram Krishna 11:00 Darpadi 11:15 Classical/Folk Songs- 11:30 Parliament Hour/Musical 12:30 Kunji Villa 1:00 Daily Sope: Aakash Chooa 1:30 Daily Sope: Rupakatha 2 : 0 0 Kanakanjali 2:30 Shree Ram Krishna 3:00 Maha Probhoo 3:30 Mohini 4:00 Bhangagarh Khe 4:20 Rabindra Sangeet 5:05 Shilpa Jagat 5:30 News 5:50 Bigan Prasanga 6:10 Gaan Sudhu Gaan 6:40 Khas Khabar 6:50 Janmabhumi 7:20 Tarunder Janney/Darshak Darbare/Ghare Baire 7:30 Bangla Sambad 8:00 Aanya Sader Galpo (Serial) 8:30 Serial- Boxer Ratan 9:00 Janmabhumi 9:30 Dropadi (*Rupa Ganguli, Suneetra, Kushal, Sankar) 10:00 Khas Khabar 10:10 Bengali Movie

ZEE TV

6:00 Yeadon Ki Pal (B/W Songs Show) 6:30 Zee News & Business 7:00 Bhakti Songs 7:30 Jagan 8:00 Guldastra 8:30 Zara Has Ke- Hal Zindagi 9:00 Zara Has- Filmi Chakkari 9:30 Disney Hour Cartoons 10:30 Ek Nazir 11:00 Yehi Hai Raahin 12:00 Aashirwad 12:30 Suniye Zee.. 1:00 Hudd Kar Di 1:30 Naye Nazrane 2:00 Huam Paanch 2:30 Chingaree 3:00 Raahat 3:30 Cinema Hits- HF Film 6:30 Ek Nazar 7:00 Disney Hour Cartoons 8:00 Cross Fire (Quiz Contest) 8:30 Choti Mukh Bari Baat 9:00 Amanat 9:30 X-Zone Woh Kaun Thi Pt-2 10:30 Jaan 11:00 Banegi Apni Baat 11:30 Raahat 11:55 Jhalak-Trailer 12:00 Action Explosion Movie: Jawab Hum Denge (Sreedevi, Jackie Shroff) 2:30 News 3:00 Hindi Feature Film (Rpt)

DD CHANNEL-1

5:55 Vande Mataram & Thought of The Day 6:00 Aradhana 6:30 UGC Programmes 7:30 Samachar 7:45 Suba Sabera 8:45 The News 9:00 Current Affairs-Suba Sabera 9:30 Tapasya: Serial 10:00 UGC Programmes 10:30 Tarang 11:30 Youg 12:30 Aurat 1:00 Aparajita

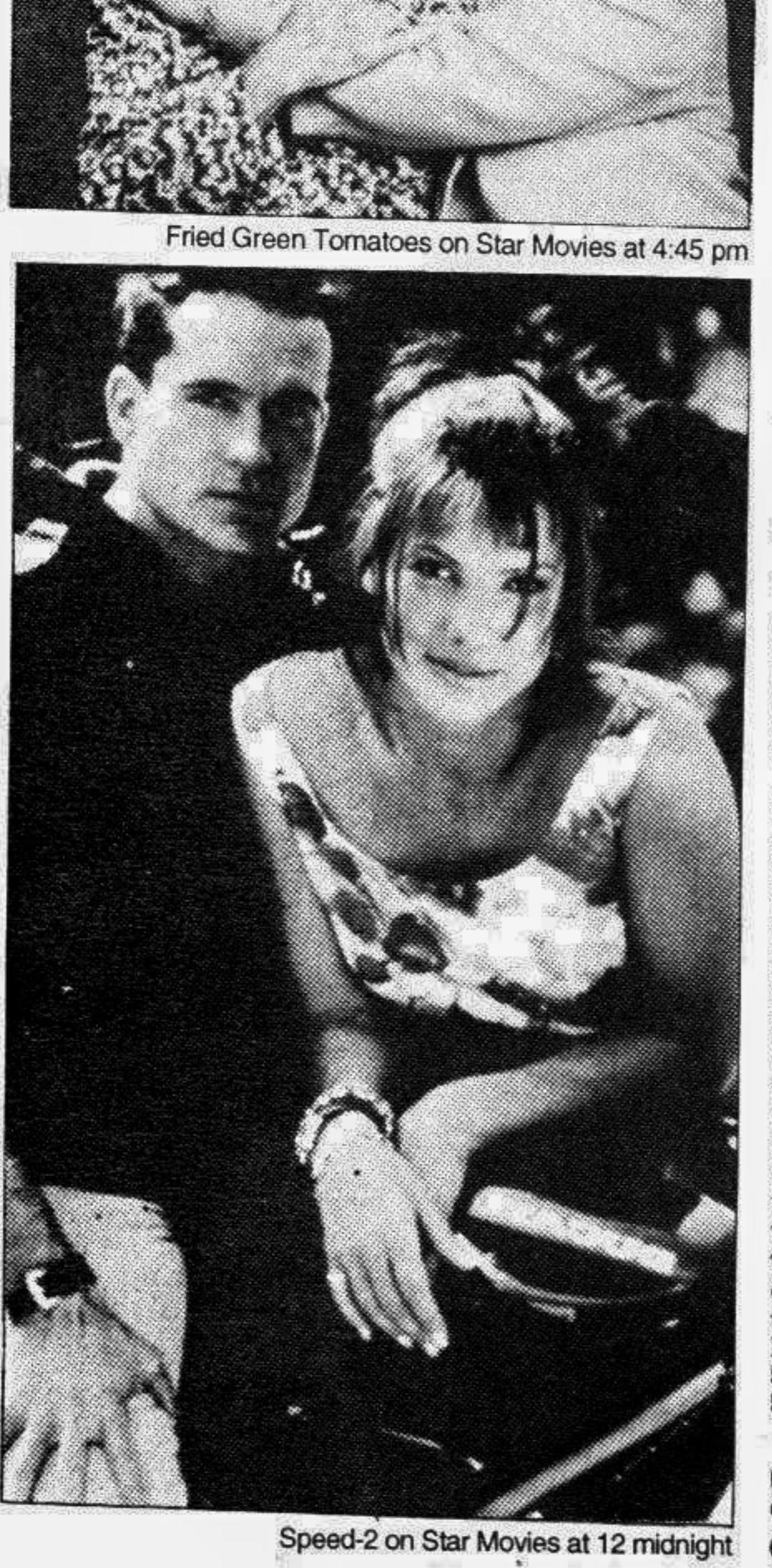
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7:00 Yoga 7:15 Bhakti Sagar 7:45 Business Aaj Tak 8:00 Good Morning Today 9:00 The First Edition 9:00 Serial 9:30 Current Affairs Prog 10:00 Pankhudiy 10:30 Saat Raang Sharat Ki Sang 11:30 STV 12:30 UTS Shopping 1:00 Music/Drama 1:30 Ken Kashan 2:30 UTS Shopping 2:55 Samachar/News 3:10 Sports Time 3:30 Dhalhi Sharat Ke Suraj 4:00 Ank Ajoobe 4:30 World Sports 5:30 Super Human Syber Squad (Serial) 6:00 Phan-

tom 6:30 Boy Meets World 7:00 Blossom 7:30 Metro Club: All out Star Show 7:50 Entertainment Now/Cinema 8:00 Sunehre Geet 8:30 Comedy Serial: Kuch Kahanla 9:00 Itihaas Ki Prem Kahani 9:30 Sea Hawks (Serial: Nikki Anjea) 10:00 Hindustani: Serial 10:30 Aap Taak (News) 10:50 Jeene Ki Rah 11:00 Baap Se Bada Rupayala 11:30 Silen Reech 12:00 Series Crime Busters

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Speed-2 on Star Movies at 12 midnight

6:30 Drama: Good Mother



Rendezvous with Simi Garewal on Star Plus at 12:30 pm



Wagle Ki Nayee Dunia on Star Plus at 8:30 pm

Sophy's Choice on Channel V at 10:30 pm