

Turning the Mirpur Road leading from Elephant Road towards New Market into a one way road has eased the traffic jam to a certain extent. But rise in illegal parking on the road in front of New Market takes up almost half the road, leading again to traffic congestion in the area. Many a times, it's the lack of civic sense that complicates things in our lives, it seems. - Star photo

DMCH nurses call off strike

Student nurses of Dhaka Medical College and Hospital (DMCH) vesterday decided to withdraw their strike after a meeting with Health Minister Sheikh Fazlul Karım Selım a his office, an official Khandour said, reports BSS

The decision was taken a the meeting held between the health minister and a 10member delegation of Bangladesh Diploma Students Nurse Union (BDSNU).

The student nurses had gone on strike following an unpleasant incident in their dormitory recently.

Selim assured them of steps o meet all their rational de-

Led by General Secretary of Assistant Nurses Association Mohammad Anisur Rahman. the team also included President of BDSNU Shahnaz Parvin and General Secretary Haroon-Ur Rashid Diht.

Saudi envoy calls on Mannan

The newly appointed Ambas-sador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to Bangladesh Abdullah Mohammad Al-Obaid Al-Namia vesterday called on Labour and Employment Minister Abdul Mannan at the latter's office. reports BSS.

The envoy spent quite some time with the minister and discussed issues matters bilateral interest, an official release said

Labour and Employment Islam was present.



National Awami Party (NAP) took to the streets yesterday protesting the indiscriminate bus - Star photo fare hike in the country.

Govt to continue struggle for establishing peace: PM

Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina visited the defence headquarters of the United States. Pentagon, on Tuesday and expressed her determination to continue struggle for estabsecretary Mohammad Strajul lishing peace, according to a message received in Dhaka from Washington vesterday.

> Acting US Defence Secretary Rudy Delen received the Prime Minister at Pentagon, showed her different sections and briefed her about its activities. Speaking on the occasion. the Prime Minister said: "We are always in favour of peace and working for the promotion of

She assured that her government will provide all cooperation for the UN peacekeeping

peace in the region as well as in

Hasina also lauded the initiative of US President Bill Clinton in mediating a peaceful solution to the Middle East

"Dialogue is the only solution for ending any conflict,

The Pentagon official appreciated the role of Bangladesh army in the UN peacekeeping operations. Members of Bang-

ladesh defence force are working in such operations in eight tional Democratic Institution countries of the world. Also on Tuesday, Sheikh Kenneth Wollack, called on Hasina placed wreaths at the Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina tombs of the US national heroes at the Blair House.

at the National Cemetery. Amidst an impressive honour guard presented by the US Army, the Prime Minister laid the wreaths at the Arlington National Cemetery in the

Over 245.000 servicemen and their family members rest on the 612 acres of Virginia land across the Potomac River from the Lincoln Memorial.

On arrival at the cemetery tomb site, the Prime Minister was received by US chief of protocol Mary Mel French and Maj Gen James T Jackson. A 19-gun salute was heralded on arrival of the Bangladesh

BSS adds: The Prime Minister also attended a luncheon hosted in her honour by the acting secretary of state Strobe Talbot at the State Department. The Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was out of the capital to attend the peace summit in Egypt.

A delegation from the Na-(NDI), headed by its president

During the discussion, the Prime Minister said that elections in Bangladesh would be held on schedule. She said her party propagated the caretaker concept which is unique in the

Sheikh Hasina said her government would step down three months prior to the election and the caretaker government would conduct the elections. She stressed the need for practising democracy for peace and development. The acting administrator of

USAID Harriet Babbit met the prime minister in the afternoon at the Blair House and discussed matters of mutual inter-

Seminar on French Architecture

Saturday

A seminar titled French Architecture - Since 1950" will be held at La Galerie of Alliance Française de Dhaka on Saturday, reports UNB

Organised by Centre for Scientilic and Technological Information (CESTI) of the Alliance Francaise in collaboration with institute of Architectures. Bangladesh (IAB), the seminar ADRA will distribute rice, will begin at 6pm.

Shaheda Rahman, Associate distressed families who have Professor of Architecture Denot yet received any assistance partment of Bangladesh University of Engineering and The relief operation will con- Technology (BUET), will deliver tinue for two months, said a the key-note speech in the German Embassy press release. seminar.

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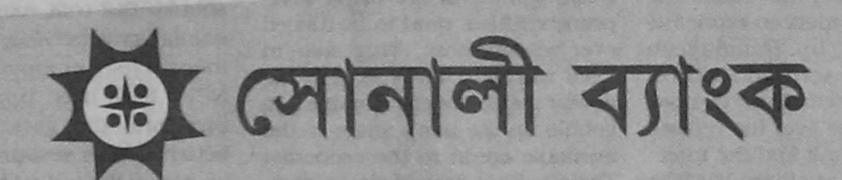
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