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EDITORIAL

ORCA fraternity is expanding as the seasons are rolling through the span of time. But the "age" of the 20th century is throwing us apart, creating "communication gap" between us. SPAN is the bridge to fill this gap. We have been patronizing it over the months with interesting news, ideas and happenings. On the threshold of its 3rd issue, we need to push for it more - put more effort and encouragement. Members need to enrich it with more articles, news, jokes and interesting events.

One of the basic purpose of ORCA is to organize constructive programmes among which scholarship programme has been accelerated with the help of considerate members. Now ORCA is planning to undertake a community development project. Members throughout the length and breadth of this planet are cordially invited to participate with physical and financial aids, which will indeed be a great service to our society-which it derives from us. Let us not loose this great opportunity to serve our own people.

This issue was due in January '82. For certain unavoidable circumstances, we were delayed in bringing it out.

THIS ISSUE IS DEDICATED TO ALL THOSE WHOSE COMBINED EFFORTS BROUGHT GLORIOUS VICTORIES FOR RCC IN INTER CADET COLLEGE SPORTS MEET - '82.

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H.M. MEMORILUM

Javed Iqbal Khan (12/655) lost his father in Dacca on January 23, '82. Mr. Khan was very close to the friends of Javed and he used to encourage them to imbibe the qualities of a perfect man.

May his soul rest in peace.

NEWS: ALM. HASER

Great Victory: ICCSM-'82

In the afternoon of January 13, '82, as Lt General H.M. Ershad, ADC, gave away the prizes for the 4th Inter Cadet College Sports Meet, the faces of Shahi Cadets lit up with the resplendent glory of being the overall Champ of the competitions. The Meet was held in the lush green

previous three ICCSM's. It was a day of supreme elation - an achievement of great marvel. ORCA members at home and abroad rejoiced at this.

Results:

|                      | Champion | Runners-Up |
|----------------------|----------|------------|
| 1. Football          | RCC      | MCC        |
| 2. Cricket           | RCC      | JCC        |
| 3. Hockey            | RCC      | FCC        |
| 4. Volleyball        | RCC      | JCC        |
| 5. Basketball        | JCC      | MCC        |
| 6. Athletics         | RCC      | FCC        |
| Over-all Champion :  |          | RCC        |
| Over-all Runners-up: |          | JCC        |

Commentary:

1. Football: In the semi-final, RCC defeated FCC, 2-1. In the final, RCC tamed MCC, 3-1.

2. Cricket: In the semi-final

AN APPEAL FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Dear Members & Associates: If you have the means, come forward and help us in building a sizable Scholarship Fund (say, Tk. 100,000/-) within 1982. We would deposit the amount in the bank and the interest earned would be sufficient to award 10 Scholarships of Tk. 100/- each (from interest on Tk. 1 lac). The Scholarship Fund would be administered by a Board of Trustee, composed of some eminent persons of the society as well as some ORCA members

Most members are climbing up the ladder of success. But please bear it in mind that in every batch one or two members are left behind. They could not continue with their studies after passing out of Cadet College, because of financial hardship.

With your assistance, allow us to ensure that in future nobody of us discontinues studies because of lack of fund. Members abroad can make their draft payable to the order of : MIRZA MANIRUL HASSAN,  
A/C NO. FDS/DLR/29823,  
ANITA K (Foreign  
Exchange Branch),  
57, Purana Palan,  
Dacca

(We are using this F/C Account)

Despatch your donations to : Abdul Hamid,  
General Secretary(ORCA), 8/16-A, Sir Syed  
Road, Mohammadpur, Dacca-7, Bangladesh.

LET ALL OF US PROSPER TOGETHER.

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE(SPAN)

Waliul Karim Masin(11/592) - Chairman  
Md. Javed Tabal Khan(12/655)- Member  
Md. Sharif Hassan(12/660) - Member  
Rezaul Hassan(3/101) - Adviser  
Abdul Hamid (1/1) - Adviser

In the final, JCC XI were sent back to the pavilion just for 47 runs. RCC easily collected 81 runs conceding 3 wickets. Little talent Abdul Qader (Cadet No. 715) deftly shut down 7 wickets for 6 runs with his devastating bowling.

3. Hockey: Sylhet Cadet College resolutely came up to the semi-final and gave a hard fight to RCC before being defeated by 2 goals to nil. In the final, FCC went down to RCC, 1-0.

4. Volleyball: RCC battled with MCC in the semi-final and out-pointed them 15-9, 15-5, 15-5, winning in straight sets (3-0). In the final RCC won against JCC 15-9, 10-15, 15-3, 15-1 winning by 3-1 sets. Masud (Cadet No. 741) was adjudged the Best Volleyball Player.

5. Basketball: RCC fought grimly against MCC in the semi-final, but were stopped from moving to the final. JCC ultimately clinched championship defeating MCC, 32-37 points.

6. Athletics: RCC put up a superb show in athletics too. Its nearest rival trailed behind by 60 points.

Arif (C-840) came out as the fastest cadet. Bagtee (C-724) set a new record in 500M Steeple chase (10 min 36 sec). Musa (C-826) set another record in 110M Hurdles. Mustafiz (C-803) out-distanced everybody in Hammer-throw. Nipu (C-856) out-witted everybody in Javelin throw. Wahid of FCC was adjudged the best athlete.

Final Ranking of the Meet: RCC, JCC, FCC, MCC, SCC, ECC (Rangpur Cadet College).

In reply to the congratulatory letter of the Vice-President and General Secretary, ORCA, Lt Col Shamsul Huda reciprocated with these eloquent words: "We will all work hand in hand, shoulder to shoulder, for the progress and prosperity of the Institution. Insha Allah we hope to succeed". (23.2.82)

### SSC Examination

RCC is sending its 15th batch cadets to face the SSC Examination commencing March 11, '82. ORCA SENDS WORDS OF WISDOM to all candidates

### 'Kabita Sarkalan'

A collection of poems - attuned to the spirit of 21 February - was published by the cadets of the college. Under the over-all supervision of Mr. Reazuddin Ahmed, Mr. Abul Hossain and Actg. Col. Prefect Fatch Alan, the issue was edited by Cadet Borhan Kabir, painstakingly stencil-written by Cadet Shafiqul Alam and beautifully designed by Cadet Shafiqur Reza. The poem-pieces are highly readable - specially the ones on the anti-climax of the spirit of 21 February.

### NEW YEARS GREETINGS

ORCA sent greetings cards on the new year, to the Hon'ble President, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Ministers, Secretaries, Joint Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries of relevant Ministries, Chiefs of Staff and various commanders of Army, Navy and Airforce, Editors of national dailies, Principals of Cadet Colleges and to other relevant personalities.

The few responses we received are from:

- \* Dr. M.N. Huda, Hon'ble Vice-President of Bangladesh who has wished "happiness, peace and prosperity" to ORCA members". (18.1.82)
- \* Dr. R.A. Ghani, our Patron, and a former State Minister, who has wished ORCA members a happy New Year.
- \* Mr. Nur Mohammad Khan, a former State Minister, has reciprocated warmly at receiving our New Year's Greetings Card, while he was in office.
- \* Col A.M.S.A. Arin, an ex-Pakistani, and presently Director of Military Intelligence, ANQ, has conveyed "best wishes for a happy New Year".
- \* Mr. H.S. Kabir, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Information has wished ORCA members all the best.
- \* Director, BU Gymnasium, has very

- \* Mr. Masud Hasan, V.P., RCC, has kindly written back: "I wish happiness and prosperous future for my dear ex-Cadets of RCC, in the new year ..... convey my best regards to all". (7-1-82)

Some ORCA members have also thoughtfully conveyed greetings to all members:

- \* Capt Shafiqul Islam (6/298), Comilla Cantt.: "At the departure hour of '81 I only hope that the new sun of 1982 enlightens ORCA to its full extent". (31-12-81) He has conveyed best wishes for all ORCA members and a happy new year.
- \* M.N. Amin (4/145), University of Connecticut, USA: "New Years greetings to everybody of ORCA. I wish increasing success of ORCA in the new year". (8-1-82)

#### WISSES & GREETINGS

- \* Mr. M. Dokiattullah, our former Principal, has written from Sylhet Cadet College wishing all members "Success in the days to come". (17-2-82)
- \* Group Capt. M. Mahtabuddin, also our former Principal, and presently Principal of Rangpur Cadet College, has wished ORCA "all the best in the years to come". (15-2-82)
- \* Lt Col Shamsul Huda, Principal, RCC, writes in these moving words: "I have all the best of wishes for all cadets (old & current) of Rajshahi Cadet College and I wish to remain proud of each cadet of Rajshahi Cadet College so long I am alive".
- \* Mr. Farhad Ahmed, an ex-lecturer of History, writes from MCC: "I thank you and other ORCA boys for all the efforts you put in, in this venture (SPAN) ..... I am with you wherever you are - in your joys and in your sorrows ..... Remember me to my old Cadets and give my 'doo' to them". (13-2-82)

with my dearest students who by this time have grown up to launch themselves to the outer world ..... Wish the SPAN a great success". (8-1-82)

- \* EDITSPAN received a cordial letter (smelling a bit 'official') from A.B.M. Rezaul Karim (7/01) where he confessed: "The regular supply of SPAN makes me nostalgic, bringing forth in my eyes those sweet and sour memories of the days in Cadet College ..... I am confident you and your team shall continue to uphold the high banner of our Alma Mater by bringing out SPAN regularly" (7-1-82) (We are happy to have him in our team).

- \* Golan Sarwar (4/151), State University of New York, USA: "Give my best regards to all the members of ORCA. The SPAN is really great. It sure will bring us closer". (7-1-82)

- \* Ashraf (11/597) and Salaudin (11/585), two doctors-in-the-making, wrote to us: "We think SPAN is the best way to communicate between ex-Cadets. Our friends admire, "It is praiseworthy", when they saw us reading the news letter attentively. We felt proud at this". (10-12-81)

- \* Engr. Asrar Ishrat Sarraf (3/02) has left for us a pathetic photograph of his vacant room before he left on December 1981 for Iraq. He wrote on the back of the photo "This room will be empty now, none of you (dear ORCA Class-mates) will be stepping in this room ..... May God bless us all and help us in keeping continuing our contacts. So long Forever !!" (6-12-81)

In a letter from Iraq, he has written: "Please convey my best wishes and greetings to all our friends and tell them to write to me". His address: Lecturer, Mechanical Dept., Institute of Technology, Zafaraniya, Baghdad, Iraq. (27-1-82)

- \* Mr. Mustafizur Rahman, an ex-lecturer of English, now doing his
- \* Engr. S. I. Siddique (1/3), writes from New Jersey, USA: "I extend my warmest greeting to all the

\* Saiful Islam (12/651), before joining Cadets Training Wing (BAF Academy): "I seek the prayers and wishes of my elder brothers and class-mates". (13-1-82)

\* Capt. Rafiqul Hannan (4/182), from Bandarban Cantt. (CMF), has sent a nostalgic letter: "..... the sweet memories of my traditional institution always remains evergreen in my heart under all circumstances. I always take pride to be a member of ORCA. .... Let ORCA remain an effective organization for years to come". (23-2-82)

### GET TOGETHER AT JESSORE

ORCA members stationed at Jessore arranged a get together on December 21, '81. It included a 'grand dinner' in a local Chinese restaurant. A mini-meeting held before the dinner, centered around the policy and future plan of ORCA and stressed on the regular payment of subscriptions (for this, thanks from the Executive Committee). The meeting was presided over by Mr. Zahir Hasan Maroof (ex-lecturer) who is now Principal, Dashed Public School, Jessore Cantt. Here is a presentation of some extracts of their speeches (and nothing of what they ate):

\* Mr. Z.H. Maroof spoke in Bengali: "বন্ধুত্ব পোষা গাছের মতো, সময় অতিবাহিত হলে ফল ফলিত হয়।"

\* Pt Lt Alauddin (1/21), posted at Ctg., but then undergoing a course at BAF Base, Jessore, said: "I would have missed a great thing and would have also felt sorry if Capt Mabtab wouldn't have extended to me the invitation".

\* Pilot Offr Zaforullah (2/68), "I feel great seeing old faces again". He has conveyed wishes to members.

\* Capt Shakhawat (5/244) regretted: "All ORCA members/elder brothers are getting married and we do not know".

The get together was rounded off with a few songs sung by Mrs. Enayet Karim, wife of Capt

Capt Hossain (4/493) failed to attend the party as he narrowly escaped serious accident in a road mishap on his way to a picnic but was hurt on his chest and was admitted to CMH. However, the members present at the get together filled his heart (as well as stomach) with happiness by presenting him at the CMH, a packet of Chinese delicacies right after the party was over.

### BMA REPORT

\* Fifteen members are undergoing gruelling training at BMA. Zaman (12/644) and Solan Kabir Masum (12/674) and Maniruzzaman (11/601) have elected to undergo tough time - and they are having lot of it - in the 9th BMA Long Course.

\* Company Senior Under Officer (CSNO) Quamrul (10/552) became first in 9 miles test, in cross country and in the obstacle course in 1981. Senior Corporal Hassan (Binu) (11/619) was also first in the 2nd Term of the 7th Long Course. Sufi (11/706) has been appointed Lance Corporal. 3C Inayat Ahmed (11/628) has broken his right hand as the monkey bridge refused to support his weight. He is recovering.

\* Zaman (12/644), before going to BMA, gave his heart and soul in the service of ORCA for years together. ORCA is indeed indebted to him.

### BAF ACADEMY

\* Md. Saiful Islam (12/651) and Md. Humayun Kabir (12/653) are cadets once again - this time Flight cadets at BAF Training Wing, Jessore.

\* Saiful Islam rendered to ORCA a most dedicated service, nearly everyday at a stretch, from the end of November '81 till his joining the Academy on January 15, '82. The General Secretary wrote to him: "ORCA can never repay for all that you have done for it. We wish you all the best you wish for yourself - and much more than that".

Muzmil Haq (4/198), married Tabassum, in Dacca on October 18, '81. His batch-mates were mostly caught unawares.

\* Anisul Haque Chowdhury Sharif (10/573), done the TT Championship of DMC, for 1982.

\* Engr. Monwar Hossain (1/9), married Shahida Jesmin (Munni) in Dacca on January 17, '82, ending a long search for bride. (The bride ultimately came from his maternal uncle's house).

\* Sharif Masudul Haque Sobbir (10/567), makes ORCA members proud by clinching overall Championship of Mohsin Bait (DU) Sports held on Dec. 24, '81. He was first in 100M, 200M and broad jump. In DU Athletics '81, he proved to be the broadest jumper in whole DU. In the 400M event he slipped to 2nd position. He represented DU in the 10th National Athletics held recently in Dacca.

\* On the day Marital Law was proclaimed on Poland (12-12-81), marital law was clamped on Masudur Rahman Toy (5/233), when he married a Polish lady. He is in 6th Yr Medicine.

\* Habibur Rahman (10/568), stood 1st Class 1st in his 1st yr. Examination of the Dept. of Pharmacy, D.U.

\* Akhtaruzzaman (4/511), who is in West Berlin studying Mech. Engg. has married a German lady. They have a child named Kenneth.

\* Abdus Sami Zahid (6/311), though not seen much outdoors (in ORCA Circle) is the Indoor Games Champion of Econ. Dept., DU, for 1981-82.

\* Capt. Mafuz Hussain-(7/366) has ended his bachelor hood sometime in Nov. '81 in Dagerhat, Khulna. He is now posted at Mykensingh Cantt. Reporter: Mojibur Rahman(7/377)

\* Golar Sarwar (4/151), a one-time ORCA stalwart, who stood 1st Class 1st in his Honours Examination, has come out 1st Class 1st in his M.Sc. Examination (1981) as well. He has secured record marks in the Dept. of Geology, D.U., in both the Examinations.

\* Maj. Khairul Alam (3/78) in a blitz-kreig type of operation married his maternal cousin on Feb. 13, '82, in Bogra. The lightning speed took his friends and relatives by surprise.

\* Wishatul Haque (7/352), a brilliant student all-through, booked a 1st Class in his B.Sc. (Honours) Examination of the Dept. of Econ., JMU.

\* Maksud Hussain Manik (6/286), married Fardousi Chowdhury on Feb. 28, '82, at Saidpur. Maksud is doing M.A. in Geog and is also striving to establish himself as a briefcase-man (business-man).

\* Nazrul Islam Rumi (3/368), who has been in the limelight for the last few years in national athletics, once again proved his supremacy in the long jump and hop-step-and-jump events of 10th National Athletics Competition held recently in Dacca.

\* Capt. Rafiqul Hannan (4/162), writes: "..... few months back I got married. For unavoidable circumstances I failed to invite members of ORCA for which I apologize to you all. I wish you all will pray for our happy and prosperous future". (26-2-82)

WE ARE PROUD OF ALL OF YOU .

ORCA sends HEARTY GREETINGS to the new couples. We pray that they may live happily ever afterwards.

BOU VOYAGE

Only one child birth has been reported:

\* Md. Sharifuzzaman (10/582), who was training himself to become an F omanist at DU, has left on Feb. 19, '82, for undergraduate studies in Georgia, USA.

\* Dr. Zakirul Islam Farooqui (4/158) and Dr. Salima Rahman have been blessed with a daughter on Jan.

- \* Cazi Ansari, Rague (8/407), a devoted ORCA worker and a potential leader, has left for undergraduate studies in South Dakota, USA, on Jan. 8, '82. Also a potential psychologist (3rd Yr Honors, DU), he will now be studying BBA.
- \* Engr. Abdul Qayyum (5/219), after facing continued uncertainty, ultimately left on Jan. 20, '82, for Baghdad, Iraq, on a job assignment in a project of BDC.
- \* Dr. Fariduzzaman (3/92) and Dr. Mrs. Fariduzzaman, both graduates of DMC, have recently emigrated to USA.
- \* Engr. A. I. Shirazi (3/82), missed ORCA picnic and flew to Iraq on picnic day (Dec. 6, '81), on a job assignment. He left for us some eatables which were presented during meeting on picnic day, to 12th batch members - our newest batch.
- \* Engr. Mahmudur Rahman (3/80), quietly flew for Iraq in early Dec., '81. (We are waiting to hear from him).
- \* Engr. Mirza Manirul Hasan (3/96), reached New Brunswick, Canada, on Feb. 2, '82, from Saudi Arabia (from frying-pan to ice-cold waters). He will be perseveringly pursuing a Ph.D.
- \* Syed Nuruzzaman (2/43), left for Iraq on job assignment, in early December, '81. He was serving in BR.
- \* Engr. Manzur Rahman (1/262), with absolute secrecy (as far as ORCA is concerned) left for Iraq, on Nov. 28, '81.
- \* Habibul Islam (1/2), has gone to Holland in early Nov., '81, on a study tour, through his organization - BHC.
- \* Agha Akhter Yusuf (2/38), was in Daaca in late January and early February, '82. He is heading the London operations of his family business.
- \* S. Mosharrif Ali (2/30), who is pursuing studies in Philosophy in Stuttgart, FRG, was here throughout January, '82, and entertained us with his rich stock of hilarious reminiscences of College days.
- \* Asaraful Haque (3/79), was in city from late Dec. '81 to Jan. 22, '82. He was accompanied by his wife and two children. On going back to Indiana, USA, where he stays, he has written: "Please extend my best regards to all ORCA members and I seek all their prayers". (2.2.82)
- \* Shamim Shakur (5/222), was here for a month (Dec. 23, '81, to Jan. 22, '82). He is doing Ph.D. in Economics at Boston College, USA. We are reported that after 3 years in the States, his accent has undergone some change.
- \* Md. Alangir (5/218), was in the country from Dec. 20, '81, to Jan. 25, '82. He is working for a Ph.D. in Chemistry at Brandeis University, USA, and not at Waltham State University as reported in SPAN-2 on the basis of report made by one of his batchmates.
- \* Md. Abdul Karim (5/232), who is in the last leg of his studies in the Institute of Modern Languages, Moscow, was here throughout February '82. He seems to be fighting hard to control his weight.
- \* Taimur Mirza (6/310), was spotted in a party in the city by Taimur Shakur (1/7). He came from>Status where he is studying BBA.
- \* Md. Ismail Hossain (6/282), paid his annual visit to Bangladesh in the latter half of Feb., '82. He is studying Textile Engg. in Tashkent, USSR.

#### IN THE CITY

- \* Sadek Afzal (1/17), is in the city from Dubai, where he is working in a bank. After 2 weeks of stay, he will be leaving on March 4, '82. He has conveyed best wishes to ORCA members.
- \* Another recent visitor from among members in USSR was Muhammad Kabir (1/26).

Ashrafal Haque, Shamim Shakur and Md. Alangir were considerate enough to give interviews to SPAN. Their interviews would be printed in the next issue - since this one is ver-fed with materials.

### ESTABLISHMENTS, PROMOTIONS & TRANSFERS

#### Establishments:

Mohammad Akhtar (7/373) and Zulfikar Hyder (9/436) passed out of BMA on Dec. 26, '81. 2/Lt Akhtar is now in Rangpur Cantt. (Field Regt Artillery) and 2/Lt Zulfikar Hyder is posted in Comilla Cantt. with 23 East Bengal Regt. Akhtar was a "Polite Sergeant" at BMA and Zulfikar, a boxer, was much feared by his juniors at the Academy (not that he boxed them).

Md. Younus (5/243), has joined as teacher in "Guru Griha" - a pre-Cadet School recently established by Mr. A.R. Khan, founder-teacher of R.C.C. Younus last year completed his M.A. in Social Work from BU. The innovative feature of "Guru Griha" is that students are to be taught in such a way that it will not necessitate study at home.

Firoz Hossain (5/220) and Manzur Rahman (5/207) are brand-new doctors from RMC. They passed out in Feb., '82.

Six more doctors from RMC, adding to the list of ORCA doctors are: Abdul Bari, Morteza Alam, Ahsan Habib, Feroz Ahmed Garaisi, Quamrul Islam and Rafiqul Islam. All are from 4th batch.

Reporter: Md. Iqbal (6/318)

Dilir Hossain (4/193), an M.A. in Econ. from DU, has recently joined Bangladesh Handloom Board.

Syed Badruddoza (3/83), is another proud doctor who passed out recently from Mymensingh Medical College. (He now seems to have more control over his weight).

#### Transfers:

Capt Humayun Kabir (6/302), from Rangpur Cantt. to Army School of Physical Training & Sports.

\* Capt Zahurul Alam (6/274) - from Dulahazara Cantt. (CHT) to Jalalabad Cantt. (Sylhet).

\* Capt Ali Azam (6/278) has been posted to Div HQ (9 Inf Div), Dacca, after his 9 months course at Ordnance Centre & School, Rajendrapur. (He is now a sought after specialist in ammunition).

\* Capt Abdul Hafiz (6/304) - from Mirpur Cantt. to Army School of Infantry and Tactics (Jalalabad Cantt.) as Instructor.

\* Sufi Hussain Zulfikar (3/103), is back to Dacca from his short-term transfer to Comilla, under Bakhrabad Gas Systems Ltd.

\* Maj Talebul Mowla Chowdhury (2/58) - from Comilla Cantt. to Ctg. He is on deputation in BDR as 2nd-in-Command, Ctg. Sector, BDR.

\* Maj Mahish Dewan (2/74) - from Dacca Cantt. to Comilla Cantt. He has been a great help for ORCA - source of resource and a depot of assistance.

\* F.A.M. Khurshid (2/51) - from Khulna to Dacca under BSC. He is one of the very few members to inform the General Secretary about his change of address.

#### Promotions:

\* Aminul Kerim (4/149) and Ferdous H. Khan - from Captain to Major. Both are posted at Ctg. Maj Aminul Kerim is in Artillery Centre and School and Maj Ferdous is in East Bengal Regimental Centre.

#### Separations:

\* Capt Anwar Tito (6/273) and Capt N.E.A. Shibly (6/284) have both resigned from the Army. Both have joined business firms in Dacca (Good luck to them).

\* Monwar Hossain (2/62) has recently left BIV after 6 years of devoted service. In that capacity, he has been a great help for ORCA.

\* Architect & Planner Taslim Shakur (1/7) will be joining DIT from March 1, '82, as Asstt. Chief, Town Planning (Traffic Inter



Last year it was at Bhawal National Park. This year the venue was the historic hamlet, Sonargaon, about 16 miles to the east of Dacca. The date: Sunday, December 6, '81. The starting point was TSC, DU. The scheduled starting time was 7:30 a.m. (sharp). The actual starting time was 9:15 a.m. (too bad).

The picnic convoy consisted of one luxury bus, two 3-ton army trucks, one pick-up and one mini-bus. Three cars and one motor-bike followed latter.

The picnic spot was adjacent to Sonargaon Folklore & Fine Arts Museum. The approach to the picnic spot was too narrow for bus or army 3-ton trucks to penetrate with ease. Members had to walk about a mile to the picnic spot from the point where transports could drop them. A great effort went in to carry food items and fuel. When breakfast was served, it was 10:30 a.m. Most people were hungry beyond measure.

The pioneers of 12th batch led by Saiful Islam (12/651) were sent early in the morning at 7 a.m. to invade and conquer the most ideal picnic spot. They dutifully went there and brought the best spot under their sway. After some time, Aminul Islam Nannu (6/315) reached the spot cycling all the way from DMC. Just after the rest of the members reached the spot with great effort, a large band of ladies of a college of Dacca swarmed into the picnic spot. After several verbal encounters they were made to retreat. They however did not go far away. Withdrawing onto the other side of the adjoining emerald green pond, they presented a colourful spectacle throughout the day. Members could see "ten thousand" of them at a glance.

After late breakfast, two cooks briskly set down to prepare lunch, under the expert supervision of Humayun (3/77), Mrs. Ali Hassan (wife of Capt. Hassan - 1/267), now and then graciously superintended the cooking.

In the meantime, gossiping and chattering, card-playing and reminiscing, relaxing and sleeping, hiking and sight-seeing, photographing and praying, went on to everybody's contentment.

all with aerobics. Khusru Khan (2/40) football and frisbee (flying saucer) possibly drew the greatest attraction (apart from lunch).

One Engineer and one Major (Ahsanul Kabir - 2/36 and Khairul Alam Belal - 3/78) spurred by a challenge of Tk. 100/- went out after some college games hiking in a nearby 'peninsula' to photograph them after obtaining their consent. All coaxing and cajoling failed and they came back disappointed - watched by a multitude of members and Bhabies.

Lunch, consisting of chicken roast, mutton rizala, polao and borhani was dished-out from 3:45 p.m. Most members sat on a large tarpaulin spread out under a big mango tree. Ladies sat comfortably on plastic chairs. 12th batch members served deftly.

Naser (9/451) was rewarded with extra roasts for his heroic rescue-swim in the pond to save the floating football kicked by C-1 just for a kick (apparently oblivious of the college girls on the other side of the large pond).

(Atiq - 7/385 too, bagged Tk. 35 for his heroic stunts in the water - watched with cheerful applause by all and sundry)

One hundred and eleven people ate to their hearts content from a lunch that was prepared for hundred people as per estimate made previously. Mr. A.R. Khan, a founding teacher of R.C.C., made himself available to give company. Engr. Zahid Hassan (2/45) and Lutfe Mowla (2/62) came from Chittagong. Maj. Khairul Alam (3/78) came from Bogra Cantt. Capt. Parvez Kabir (6/292) came down from Chittagong Cantt. Zakir Hossain Milon (9/449), Zulfikar Rahman Roni (9/482) and Aminul Islam Dulal (8/415) forgot their BUET exams which was then only 7 days away.

Fifteen ladies graced the picnic. Four little ones followed their mothers.

After a heavy bout with lunch, most members slumped.

At about 4 p.m. members gathered on the tarpaulin for a meeting. Discussion revolved around formation

welcoming 12th batch members. Picnicking was also done. Anis Ahmed Khan (6/305) was elected as Joint Secretary in place of Akhter Hussain (5/256) and Sharif Masudul Haque Sabbir (10/557) was elected Organizing Secretary in place of Yawer Sayeed Tulip (7/334). Akhter and Tulip had earlier intimated their inability to carry on in their respective posts. S.A. 2 being distributed, the picnic ended with three cheers for everybody - including the 'Bheebies'.

When darkness was about to envelop the archaic monuments of Sonargaon, and the western sky was emblazoned with a crimson hue, members began to pack up, declaring the end of ORCA Picnic - '81, but carrying with them the "Bliss of the Countryside" for pondering during their leisure moments.

Thanks to all those who contributed to making the picnic a success - in whatever way they could - especially Capt. Sharif (6/279), Capt. Shibly (6/284), Engr. Saiful Islam (3/119) and Maj. Manish (2/74) - for arranging transport - and to Humayun Kabir (3/77) - for diligently catering to the demands of the stomach.

#### ORCA CINE CLUB

To create opportunity for more frequent get-togethers of members, ORCA Cine Club has been formed in Jan., '82. It was formally inaugurated on Feb. 11, '82. The club has a separate executive committee:

President : None yet  
 Vice-Pres. : Maj (Retd.) M. Taneem Hasan (Ex-Officio)  
 General Secy.: Abdul Hamid (Ex-Off.)  
 Org. Secy.: Anisur Rahman Majumdar (2/40)  
 Programme Secy.: Javed Iqbal (12/655)  
 Treasurer: Mosharraf Hossain (4/173)  
 Members: Rezaul Hassan (3/101)  
 Bedayetullah Khan (2/138)  
 Tariq Abdul Ala (3/133)  
 Noor Elahi Ali Shibly (6/284)  
 Anis Ahmed Khan (6/305)  
 Abul Barkat (6/306)  
 Md. Aminul Islam (6/315)  
 Nishatul Haque (7/352)  
 Atiqur Rahman (7/335)  
 Mofazzal Hossain (10/567)

The rate of membership subscription for the Cine Club is Tk. 25/- per 6 months. Wives of members can also become members (with payment of full subscription, of course).

ORCA SCHOLARSHIPS  
 The Executive Committee has awarded scholarships to the following student-members:

| Name                       | Amount             |
|----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Shahjahan Ali (7/363)   | 200 (pure loan)    |
| 2. Anwarul Islam (8/398)   | 100                |
| 3. Ahsed Ali (8/433)       | 100                |
| 4. Alamgir Hossain (8/419) | 100 (for 6 months) |
| 5. A. Mannan (8/440)       | 100                |
| 6. Abdullah (10/524)       | 200                |
| 7. Sayeduzzaman (11/626)   | 100                |
| 8. Firoz Hasan (12/683)    | 100                |
| 9. Saifur Rahman (12/672)  | 100                |

A total of Tk. 1100/- per month is being awarded effective Jan. '82, for one year. The Executive Committee expects recipients to make good to ORCA Scholarship Fund the money awarded, so that ORCA Scholarships can be extended to more needy student-members and so that ORCA is ultimately in a position to award scholarships on a country-wide basis.

\* Ashraf (11/597) and Salahuddin (11/585) - who were awarded scholarships in the first place, decided to forgo their scholarship in favour of more needy student-members.

#### DONATIONS

\* Engr. Shamsul Islam Siddique (1/8) from New Jersey, USA, has sent so far, \$ 80 towards ORCA Scholarship Fund, to support his award of Tk. 200/- per month as scholarship in the name of his wife Mrs. "Musna Banu".

\* Engr. Badrul Haque (1/10), from Abu Dhabi, has forwarded to ORCA Scholarship Fund Tk. 2400/-, \$ 50 donated by an ORCA member who strictly wishes to remain anonymous. This money has been deposited to ORCA Scholarship Fund.

\* M. Ashraful Haque (3/79), during his recent trip to Bangladesh announced a donation of Tk. 500/- per month towards ORCA Scholarship Fund. He has already despatched \$ 50 from Indiana, USA, where he is a lecturer and a business-man.

\* Local members have come forward to assist in launching ORCA Scholarships:

\* Engr. Ahsanul Kabir (2/36): Tk. 200  
 \* Engr. Abdul Yoyeed (2/42): Tk. 240  
 \* Engr. Zahid Hassan (2/45): Tk. 1200  
 \* Engr. Galive Sattar (2/52): Tk. 1800/-