

17 arrested, all shops remain closed

Curfew again in Pabna, students break Sec. 144

PABNA Feb. 2:—Curfew (from 7.30 p.m. to 6 a.m.) till dawn has been imposed for the second successive night today in the town for, what the administration said, 'bringing the situation under control' reports BSS.

After the last night's dusk-to-dawn curfew following clashes between the students of the local Government Edward College and transport workers, the administration clamped Section 144 throughout the day. But the students violating the ban brought out a procession during the course of which they damaged three buses at Radhangagar and brickbatted the police patrol near Pathartala.

Administration sources said

three police constables were injured in the brickbatting.

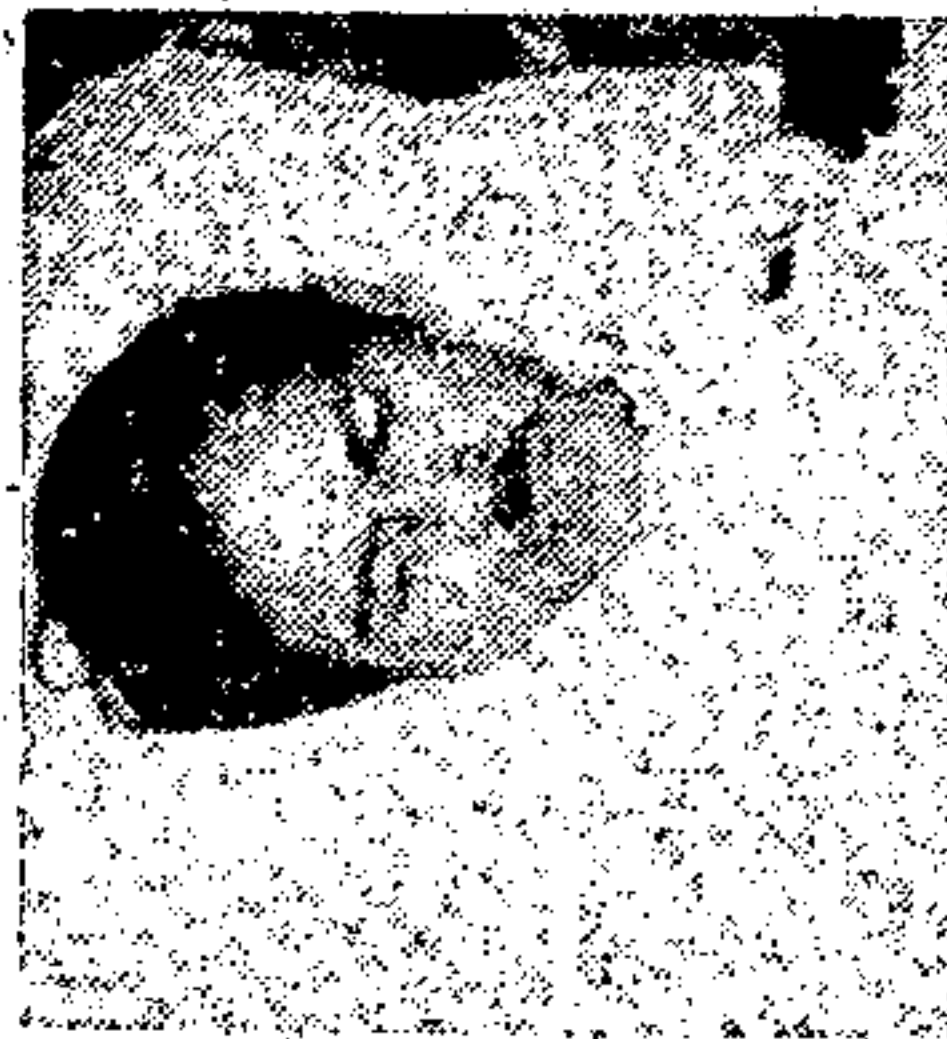
Yesterday's clashes between the students and transport workers were the sequel to an incident that happened following a row between the two sides over bus fares.

Motor Owners Assoc President held

So far 17 persons were arrested by the local police after yesterday's clashes. The arrested persons included Baby Islam President of Pabna Motor Owners' Association.

The students who were arrested during the incident have been released after giving undertakings.

Rajshahi Medical College Hospital sources said the two students who had been injured in yesterday's clashes and transferred to the hospital had been operated upon and they were improving.



PABNA : Gazi Abdus Salam, Principal, Govt. Edward College, Pabna lying in Pabna Sadar Hospital bed with severe injuries on his hands and leg.

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The Principal and two teachers of Government Edward College admitted into Pabna Sadar Hospital with injuries are also improving, hospital sources said. Meanwhile a joint protest meeting of the teachers, students and guardians was called at Edward College tomorrow morning.

Our Pabna Correspondent adds: No transport plying here today and all shops remained closed.

Ten persons, most of them students are now under treatment at the Sadar Hospital while two persons have been shifted to Rajshahi Medical College in critical condition.

Students of all educational institutions brought out a big procession in protest against attack on students and teachers of Pabna Edward College by transport workers.

Removal of SP demanded

The processionists demanded immediate removal of Superintendent of Police Pabna for what they termed his failure to bring the situation under control.

Teachers of all educational institutions in a separate meeting held at the Edward College with Mr. Fakhru Islam Principal, Shahid Bulbul College also demanded removal of the SP, Pabna and punishment of those responsible for the attack on students and teachers.

The teachers met the Deputy Commissioner at his office and Deputy Inspector-General of Police Rajshahi Range. They demanded removal of the Superintendent of Police, Pabna.

Leaders of the political alliances here including 13-party alliance demanded punishment of SP, Pabna. Forty lawyers in a statement demanded judicial enquiry into the incident.