

New Party Formed in E. Pakistan

DACCA, East Pakistan, July 25 — A major new political party highly critical of Pakistan's military alliance with the United States was born here today.

Stormy demonstrations, in which several persons, including a member of Parliament, were injured, attended the birth of the "National Awami Party."

The formation took place at a "Democratic Workers' Convention" sponsored by Abdul Hamid Khan Brashani, former right-hand man of Pakistani Prime Minister H. S. Suhrawardy. Bhashani resigned from Suhrawardy's ruling Awami League last night.

In a speech before 1000 delegates from East Pakistan and 80 from West Pakistan, Bhashani denounced all pacts and alliances entered into by the Karachi Government as "enhancing the danger to our freedom and sovereignty."

The military pact with the United States was "destroying the political and economic independence of the country," he declared.

He added that Anglo-American diplomacy had not brought the dispute between Pakistan and India over Kashmir any nearer a solution. He said that a plebiscite must be held to determine the future of the disputed territory.

While delegates — who included the Pakistan People's Party leader, Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, the "Frontier Gandhi" — were conferring, a crowd demonstrated outside waving black flags and shouting anti-Bhashani slogans. Several members of the East Pakistan Assembly were injured.

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