Students shout slogans to demand democracy and an interim government during a rally in Rangoon on Friday.— Reuter

## Burmese lawyers urge return to '47 charter

Rangoon (Reuter) — Burmese lawyers have called for abrogation of the country's constitution, and joined demands for the removal of the military-backed socialist government a state-owned ernment, a state-owned newspaper said yes-terday.

The Guardian said the Central Court Bar Coun-cil issued a statement in

ments). What they are demanding is to abrogate the 1974 constitution and to form a caretaker government," the council statement said.

"Demonstrations being held throughout the country are ample proof that the whole constitution of 1974 is no longer in agreement with the people's wishes."

ty (BSFP).

He had appealed one day earlier for patience to allow an emergency BSPP party congress on September 12 to decide on

possible multi-party rule.
The bar council said a
1962 military coup which
installed the BSPP violated the 1947 constitution.
The present constitution legitimising BSPP