The Joy of Newspaper Reading



Perhaps, one fine morning, we shall all just give up our differences, and sit around with a cup of tea, exchanging notes - and jokes. We will find, I am sure, at least most of us will. that we do not have to go far. It is all delivered at our doorsteps.

Any mortal, in this city, who will have a newspaper delivered to his doorstep, will be in splits most mornings, or afternoons, or whenever he has the time to go through the newspaper, at the gorgeous sense of humour, or lack of it, of the morning papers.

The complete nonchalance, with which the newspapers deliver their punch lines, is the envy of many a comedian, I am sure. The only problem, I sometimes get the niggly feeling, is, that those little fellows delivering those punch lines, have no idea, what they are talking about. Perhaps we should be thankful for it. Because then they would promptly stop the lines. And that would never do. We would have to look elsewhere for our share of fun. Innocent fun, of course.

Where else can we enjoy such classics, as the 'cow, belonging to Hakim's neighbour, was taking liberties with Abdul's haystack?' Which of course led to the two of them getting themselves locked in a mortal battle, with the 'cow as the spectator'.

Or take the example, very recently, in our dailies, where we were informed, rather solemnly, that the body of an MP, undergoing treatment, 'was opened op! Makes you feel at bit squeamish, some of these punch lines. Or the lovely 'flower, that smells'! O, whither fragrance? But the fellow informing us that the

water hydrants in a certain village was 'sqeaking' water all over the place, has us won-

But of course what really stumps us are the abbreviations; they use abbreviations, with such ease that you feel you missed out on the whole deal, somewhere along the line. Abbr. like UP (that is supposed to mean Union Parishad, for the readers who came into the scene a little late) UNO - this has nothing to do with the United Nations, and perhaps hints at the Upazila Nirbahi Officer, but then of course, I shall probably stand corrected soon.

Perhaps I missed the punch line. And as if the cars are in competition, to confuse, or perhaps humour the ordinary citizen, they now come with their number plates in all shades of the rainbow, with abbr. like AJOK, OMOK, OTOK etc.

That should keep us guessing, what the punch line actually is. I am afraid the reader will have to decipher that for himself. The Metropolitan Police, alongwith the newspaper industry, should perhaps think on lines of a dictionary, informing the ordinary citizen, what exactly they mean by these new abbr. That would save us all a lot of guess work.

But one punch line which would probably have us all wondering is the one where the correspondent informed us, with all 'due solemnity', that the 'floods affected a lot of human beings, including men, women and children' Now, how's that for guess work? Wonder what else the correspondent has in his wee head, when he refers to human beings?



A Cushman May Director, Asian Development Bank (ADB) Private Sector Department alongwith Susie Sabarre and SABR Thalakada of ADB and JM de Waard, First Secretary Development (IS), The Royal Netherlands Embassy, visited KADER SYNTHETIC FIBRES LTD (KSFL) Friday. Al-haj Abdul Kader Mia, Chairman and Md Sahabuddin Ahmed, Managing Director, KSFL received the honourable guests and showed them around.

ADB Director visits KSFL

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KSFL is one of the largest investment in private sector of Bangladesh and expected to go into operation by end of this

Enayetullah off to Kuwait

Chief Editor and Managing Director of United News of Bangladesh Enayetullah Khan left Dhaka Friday for Kuwait at the invitation of the State of Kuwait to observe the October 5 parliamentary elections, reports-UNB.

The last parliament in Kuwait was dissolved in 1986. About 200 contestants are participating from 25 constituencies in the coming

election.

Need for building up children as worthy citizens stressed Nurtoza and local unit Director

CHITTAGONG, Oct 2: Information Minister Barrister Nazmul Huda today emphasised the need for building up the children as worthy citizens of the country to enable them to shoulder future responsibilities, reports BSS.

It is our sacred responsibility to make available all facilities for flourishment of children's dormant talents, he

Addressing as chief guest the inaugural function of the three day Chittagong Unit of Phoolkuri Ashar's 18th founding anniversary at Laldighi Maidan here this morning he said the children of today will be the citizens of tomorrow who will have to shoulder the responsibilities of fostering, promoting and preserving the national culture, literature and heritage. It is a national duty to prepare them for the future,

the minister said. The function, presided over by Advocate Shamsuddin Ahmed Mirza, President of the Chittagong unit of Phoolkuri Ashar, a children's organisation, was also addressed by Chittagong Chamber President Engineer Ali Ahmed, Central Director of the Ashar Hasan

H M Jubayer Azam.

The Information Minister earlier took the salute at the colourful march past by Phoolkurir's members and witnessed their display of Physical feats.

"I'm very much impressed to see the discipline of the Phoolkuri Ashar's members," He said adding a discipline nation is indispensable to ensure stability of democracy in the

Huda visits Ctg Radio centre

Information Minister Barrister Nazmul Huda visited Chittagong centre of Radio Bangladesh at Agrabad this evening.

While talking to officers and employees of the centre, the Minister asked them to project news and views reflecting the hopes and aspirations of the people. He also asked them to maintain objectivity in presenting news.

Barrister Huda also exchanged views with the office bearers and members of Democratic Journalists Forum.

Biswas, Khaleda greet German President, PM

President Abdur Rahman Biswas has felicitated Dr Richard Von Wetzsacker, President of the Federal Republic of Germany, on the occasion of the day of its unity,

In a message of felicitation, President Biswas expressed the hope that the friendly relations between the two countries would be further strengthened in the years to come to the mutual benefit of the two peoples.

The President wished Dr Weiz Sackes and the friendly people of the Germany good health, happiness and increasing prosperity in the coming

Khaleda

Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia has greeted Dr Helmut Kohl, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, on the occasion of the day of its unity.

In a message of felicitation Prime Minister Begum Khaleda Zia also wished good health, happiness and long life of Dr Kohl and peace, progress and prosperity of the friendly people of Germany.

Hasina

Awami League President and Leader of the Opposition in parliament Shetkh Hasina has greeted German President Dr Richard Von Weizsaxker and Chancellor Dr Helmut Kohl on the occasion of the day of unity of Germany.

In separate messages to the German leaders, Sheikh Hasina expressed the hope that the friendly relations between Bangladesh and Germany would be further strengthened in the years to

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CU VC visits Cox's Bazar Govt College, Girls College

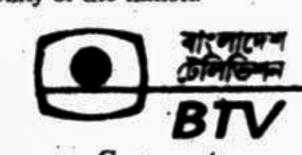
CHITTAGONG, Oct 2: Prof Rafigul Islam Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor of the Chittagong University yesterday visited Cox's Bazar Government College and Cox's Bazar Otris College, reports BSS.

The Vice Chancellor was warmly received by the teachers and students of the two colleges.

In separate addresses to the teachers and students of the two colleges; the Vice Chancellor called for eradicating terrorism and violence from the present day educational institutions for the shake of spread of education as well as flourishment of democracy.

The future of democracy largely depends on education, he added.

The Vice Chancellor asked the students to devote themselves to their studies to shoulder the future responsibility of the nation.



Saturday Opening announcement

Al-Quran Programme su-News in Bangla Recitation from the Tripi-

Cartoon: Care Bears Family Tarunya Documentary on German Ambassador's speech on the occasion of German National Day

Banshary News in Bangla Mati O Manush Balun Dekhi News in English Drama series : Dallas Khabar/The News Sunday's programme su-

Closing

Weather

Dry weather likely

By Staff Correspondent

Isolated light rain or shower is likely to occur over the regions of Chittagong, Noakhali and Sylhet during the next 24 hours commencing 6 am today (Saturday) while weather is likely to remain mainly dry elsewhere over the country The Met Office forecasts, day temperature is likely to re-

main nearly unchanged over the country. The maximum temperature of 34.4 degree Celsius was reported from Rajshahi yesterday (Friday) and the minimum

of 19.8 degree was reported from Rangamati. The sun sets today at 5.45 pm and rises tomorrow at 5.52 The maximum and the minimum temperature and humid-

ity recorded in some major cities and towns of the country

yesterday were: Cities/Towns Temperature in Degree Celsius Humidity in Percentage 24.4 Dhaka Chittagong 24.3 34.4 25.8 Khulna 77 25.0 31.5 Cox's Bazar 72 21.4 Sylhet 82 23.2 32.2 Dinajpur 25.1 33.5 Barisal



Rishij Shilpee Chosthi accorded reception to the noted personalities for their «contribution in the field of culture and arranged cultural function at BCCI auditorium yessterday. Saugat Editor Mohammad Nasiruddin attended the function as the chief guest.

NGO's, cultural bodies urged to help fulfil children's rights

Energy and Mineral Re sources Minister Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain yesterday called upon the NGO's, cultural bodies, social organisation and affluent section of the society to come forward with pragmatic programmes for the welfare of the children to build a happy and prosperous

Bangladesh, reports BSS. He was addressing as the chief guest a children function at Shishu Academy Auditorium here. Dr Kazi Anwara Mansur. Chairman of Shishu Academy and Golam Kibria, Director of the Academy also spoke at the function. Organised as part of Children Rights Week by Ministry of Social Welfare and UNICEF.

Dr Mosharaf said that the children were the future leaders and architect of the country. If we want to make our country happy and prosperous, we have to build our children as worthy citizens, he said adding that the children were the greatest wealth of the na-

Citing different steps taken by Shaheed President Ziaur Rahman for the flourishment of latent talent of children, the minister said that the present BNP government also attached priority to the welfare of the children pursuing the policy of late President Zia.

Garment employees threaten to launch movement

By Staff Correspondent

Leaders of the Bangladesh Garment Workers Employees Federation Friday threatened to launch a vigorous movement from November to press for their seven-point charter of demand.

Speaking at a press conference at the Federation office at Topkhana, the leaders demanded the government to accept the charter by October

The seven point demands of the garment workers include fixation of pay scale of the garment workers at Taka 1400 per month, implementation of factory and the labour laws at the garment industries, weekly off day and payment of over-

The federation leaders alleged that labour laws were being violated and the women workers oppressed at the 1300 garment units of the

country. The tripartite agreement between the garment workers, unit owners and the government on July 4 was yet to be implemented while the tripartite committee formed to look into the existing problems in the industry did not hold one single meeting as yet after formation, they said.

Federation President Abul Hussain spoke at the press conference while General Secretary Mahar Ali and other central leaders were present.

Help raise health consciousness, urges Badruddoza Deputy Leader of the House country loss timeir eye sight ev-

Prof AQM Badruddoza Chowd- ery year for deeficiency of vitahury yesterday called upon all min-A. He samid the available concerned to put in their best efforts to raise a health consciousness among the people, reports BSS.

He said better treatment is not synonymous to better health. Public health can be ensured only through adopting preventive measures against the diseases.

Prof Chowdhury was addressing a function to mark the occasion of attending 20,000 poor patients by of a free Friday Clinic running under the auspices of the ex-students of Faujadarhat Cadet College at Dhanmandi here.

The clinic has been extending medicare facilities for the last five years.

Prof Chowdhury, also a renowned physician said thousands of people are suffering from various diseases only for lack of some general knowledge about health. He said if motivation regarding the use of pure water could be conducted among the people the diarrheal and other intestinal diseases could be removed from the country.

He said if the people of the country include potato as a major item along with rice in their food habit this would significantly improve the mass health side by side curbing the dependency for food on abroad.

Prof Chowdhury regretted that 20,000 children in the and less expensive fruits and vegetables thant contain enormous vitamnins are well enough for protecting their

eye sight. He called for popularising different kinds of dals and the seed of beanss for removing the deficiency of protein in the

Prof Chow-dhury said the government was determined to provide bettter health facilities to the people. But, he said it also was the responsibility o the conscious- sections of the society to exteend their helping hands for the development of general health of the masses.

Presided over by Sufi Mostaque Hosmain the function was attended by Mrs Badruddoza Chowdhumry as the special

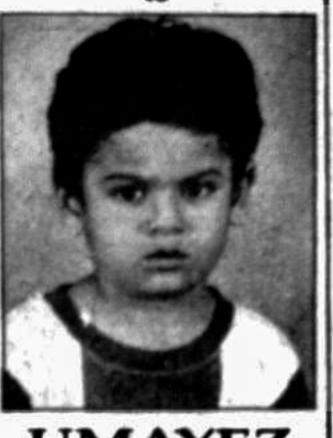
Old Victorians confce held

ld Victorians Friday dipped into their past to recolect sweet memories of student life in Comilla Victoria College which was radiant with real teachers-student relation, genuine persuit of knowledge and sacred academic atmosphere, reports

Happy Birthday *

With Love





UMAYEZ From: Farid Bhaia



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