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Internet Off-line

Gopher searches by email

Gopher, (the name, "gopher," that of a burrowing rodent in North America that digstunnels from place to place) is an excellent tool for exploring the Internet and is the best way to find a resource if you know what you want, but not where to find it.

A good way to start is to send an email to one of the following addresses: gophermail @calvin.edu

gopher@earn.net gopher@dsv.su.se gopher@ncc.go.jp

In the subject line, write: chico.rice.edu

Chico.rice.edu represents the initial gopher site (each site looks like a menu of choices) you will be using. There are hundreds of these sites (menus), but I recommend this one because it will provide you with a list of Internet resources by subject. Leave the body of your message blank. You'll get a message back from the server that

looks something like the text in the figure below only the items list will include internet resources by subject):

Mail this file back to gopher with an X before the items you want. 1. About USCgopher/

2. How to Find Things on Gopher/ 3. University Information/

- 4. Campus Life/
- 5. Computing Information/ 6. Library and Research Information/
- 7. Health Sciences/ 8. Research and Technology Centers/

9. Other Gophers & Info Resources/ You may edit the following numbers to set the

maximum sizes after which GopherMail should send output as multiple email messages: Split=27K bytes/message<-For text, bin, HQX

Menu=100 items/message <- For menus and query responses

Name=About USCgopher

Numb=1

Type=1 Port=70

Path=1/About USCgopher Host=cwis.usc.edu

#... (some lines deleted)

Name=Other Gophers and Information Resources

Numb=9 Type=1 Port=70

Path=1/Other_Gophers_and_Information_Reso

Host=cwis.usc.edu To proceed to a selection on the returned

Sumon Shahed

menu just e-mail the whole text of the note (from the menu downwards) back to the gopherserver, placing an "X" next to the items(s) you want to explore. You'll then receive the next level of the gopher menu by e-mail. Some menu choices lead to other menus, some lead to text files, and some lead to searches. In the example

above, let's select

x9. Other Gophers & Info Resources

· and mail the whole shebang right back at the gophermail server. You should then get a menu with a number of interesting selections including "Gopher Jewels". You'll find a LOT of good stuff along that path. The Gopher Jewels project is probably the best organized collection of Internet resources around

If a menu item is labeled "Search" you can select that item with an "X" and supply your search words in the Subject: of your reply. Note that your search criteria can be a single word or a Boolean expression such as:

document and (historic or government)

Each of the results (the "hits") of your search will be displayed as an entry on yet another gopher menu!

Note: You needn't actually return the entire gopher menu and all the routing info that follows it each time you reply to the gophermail

If you want to minimize the size of you query, you can strip out the "menu" portion at the top and include only the portion below that pertains to the menu selection you want.

Just remember that if you use this approach, you must specify "get all" on the Subject line. (Exception: for searching, specify only the search terms on the Subject line.) The example below is equivalent to selecting "option 9" as we did earlier.

Split=OK bytes/message Menu=O items/message

Name=Other Gophers Numb=9

Type=1 Port=70

Path=1/Other_Gophers_and_Information Resources Host=cwis.usc.edu

If this looks like nonsense to you, here's a human translation:

Connect to PORT 70 of the HOST (computer) at "cwis.usc.edu", retrieve the sub-menu "Other Gophers", and send it to me in

ONE PIECE, regardless of its size.

Note: Sometimes gophermail requests return a blank menu or message. This is most likely because the server failed to connect to the host from which you were trying to get your information. Send your request again later and it'll probably work.

Ekushey February, Bangla Bhasha and Bangladesh WEB Page

sshahed@corpus-ctr.tamu Taderke Janai Salaam Jara nijeder pran diyechhe Kintu deyni bhashar man

SHABAI-KE EKUSHER SHUVESSHA...

Reaz Hoque hoquerx4@juncol.juniata.edu Check out music from Bangladesh at:

http://www.juniata.edu/~rhoque http://coel.eee.kcl.ac.uk/usr/shabbir/shabbir,h

Mahmood Hassan

hassan@kenroku.ipc.kanazawa-u.ac.jp Japan:

We Have Recent Resentment from the Political turmoil in Bangladesh. However statistic figures showes something that we should take care of. We must save our country from the dark indication of another regime of Autocracy.

Have a look in my humble effort: http://kipcwww.ipc.kanazawau.ac.jp:8080/~med2/28/bd_vital.html You may enjoy the other sites as well: http://kipcwww.ipc.kanazawau.ac.jp:8080/-med2/28/hassan.html http://kipcwww.ipc.kanazawau.ac.jp:8080/~med2/28/pop.html http://kipcwww.ipc.kanazawau.ac.jp:8080/~med2/28/chalo.html

I am glad to inform you that I introduced Bangla in the popular site of Dr. Mike Martin: "Traviang" along with other 25 languages from today with my tribute to the martyers of the Language movement. Please open once: http://www.travlang.com/languages/

We could hardly see any posting on 21st February this year. May be the election issue is the hot cake now. I put the pictures of the VASHA SHAHIDs in my page: http://kipcwww.ipc.kanazawa-

. u.ac.jp:8080/~med2/28/shadhinata.html And From this Ekushe One can have Bangla in cite

Let us pray for the realization of the dreams of our mertyres as there is NO REASON to believe that we could materialize that yet.

Soumitra Bose soumitra@ix.netcom.com

USA: WE WEST-BENGALEES ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE IN THE NET THAT EKUSHE FEBRUARY IS DECLARED IN WEST BENGAL AS A STATE HONORARY DAY AND THE BHASHA ANDOLON SHAHEEDS ARE DECLARED OUR SHAHEEDS TOO AND THE DAY IS DECLARED AS A BHASHA ANDOLON DAY .Thanks to Left Front for this .This part was inaugurated by Gaziul Huq from 1994.

Ishtiaque Ahmed ahmed@edison.isd.upmc.edu

"Old URL

My WWWPages on Bangladesh have moved

http://pph10ap01.4wing.upmc.edu/ahmed/we b/bdpage.html http://ahmed.4wing.upmc.edu/web/bdpage.ht

Please update your links to this site...

Election: Globe and Mail reports

Mozammel Khan khanm@atlas.sheridanc.on.ca

Canada:

John Stackhouse of 'The Globe and Mail', Canada's most respected newspaper, reports (from Dhaka) under the headline Rulers of Bangladesh win hollow victory' with under headline 'Unhappy workers at polling stations consider election outcome a humiliating embsrrassment', 'victory by default'. Extract of the reports: Bangladesh's ruling party headed for a massive parliamentary majority in an elec--tion boycotted by three major opposition parties, supported by a small fraction of regis-

produced photo identity cards.
"The officer could challenge them but no one wants to risk their life", said the presiding officer.

....The first wave of voters arrived in the early morning. followed by a lull, and another wave--consisting of many of the same voters using different names. The wave was repeated in the afternoon. Many of the voters were marshalled by members of the BNP youth and student groups known for armed campus violence.
...When the dispute arose,

the neutral polling officers vacated the room, and left the matter to three scrutineers,

"This will be the saddest day of my life", Mr. R... said. Bangladeh's election commi-ssion issued a letter recently telling civil servants, who ran most of the polling exercise, that they risked suspension if they reneged on their elec-tion-day duties. "We are all very afraid right now," said polling supervisor Ismail M. R.. "We came here only to save our job".

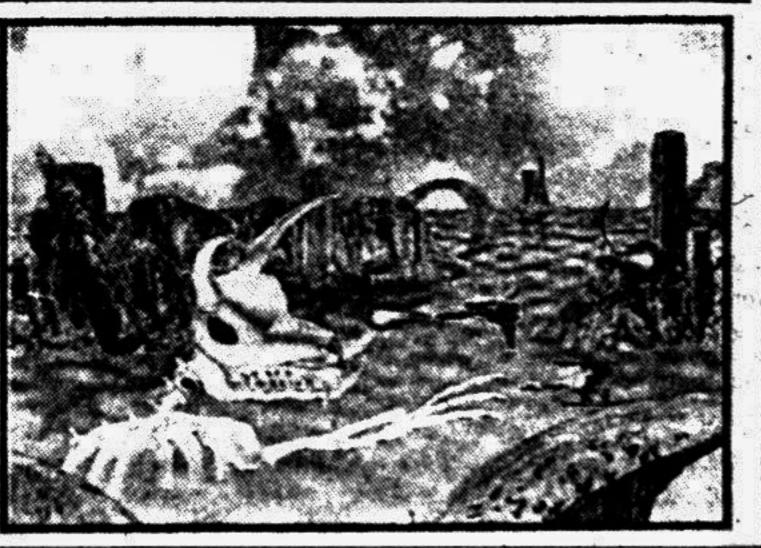
tered voters and labelled variously a "tragedy".

humiliation' and "embarrasment" by disgruntled polling station workers in

.... "Everyone, including the government, feels the election is meaningless", a Western envoy in Dhaka said. "...lt is a set back from what they had in

In a dank, two-storey school in Ibrahimpur, a densly populated suburb of Dhaka, the presiding officer said his poll officials, all civil servants and teachers, were too intimidated to protest about questionable ballots, even though only a handful of the 1.612 voters

two of whom came from the BNP. "My conscience is bleeding said Mr R..... a senior. officer in the environment department. "This is not democracy". The final results: 1.330 votes for the BNP candidate, 282 for the other 10. "This will be the saddest day of my life". Mr. R... said. Bangladeh's election commission issued a letter recently telling civil servants, who ran most of the polling exercise. that they risked suspension if they reneged on their election-day duties. "We are all very afraid right now," said polling supervisor Ismail M. R.. We came here only to save our



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- Şhabbir Ahmed

Shabbir Ahmed sa6045@cub.uca.edu-Arkansas, USA:

I have simply lost my mind watching with gruesome horror on what's going on Bangladesh right now. It's absolutely frustrating (for every-one who LOVES our country) to see this kind of things still going on, although we had 25 years of independence!

In those 25 years we could have made Bangladesh a great country with a lot of promises for the future. But what happened to all those dreams? I was born after the independence war so I don't know what the freedom fighters went through when they fouht the hanadar Pakistanis...they had one dream...make Bangladesh known to everbody and also make this country a prosperous one, free from the hands of corrupt politicians and dictatorship!

And what did our so called "respected" politicians did after the war? Sure, we were now free from the Pakistanis but we didn't get rid of corrupt politicians and people. As a result, right now, Bangladesh is not moving ahead, they are in reverse position. I don't support any parties since I think none of them are capable of leading our country to the promised land... there is no true leader...there was only

To improve economically, a country must need a stable. corruptless government... otherwise the inevitable would occur! Crores and crores of money would be deposited in foreign places to secure their life after the end of their don't think any party right

now is capable of leading our country as there is NO leader!! I would have been really happy to provide a solution, but have none. I am lost and frustrated as I don't know what should I do?? Any suggesstions...fellow Bangladeshis like

EID Greetings

Daily Star dstar@dhaka.agni.com Dhaka. Bangladesh: To all SCB netters

Eid Mubarak From the family of the Daily

Navid, GSS GSS@oitvms.oit.umass.edu Eid mubarak to you all, too.

Eonderer avan I @delphi.com

Eid Mubarak all. Regardless of your religion/faith/nationality allow me the bonour to share with you our most beloved day of the holies (Eld holiday here in the States somehow didn't sound right.) I wish you a most joyous day.. year.. life... fulfillling. . .

Eld's tomorrow... or today. depends what time of the night I get around to post it. won't be able to attend the Eid prayer in the morning. Its gonna be at 0830 hrs. Almost two hundred miles from where I'm at. But that's not the reason... I would've driven out still. but I got a big exam on the good morrow. Controls and Systems Analysis...

Those who are in Engineering do pray for me in details.. and the rest you guys just make a generic one if you'd be so kind (ie. ah let the kid pass that crap tomorrow... and ya Allah might as well give him an A while You at it. yeah that oughtta cover it). sorry to beg a little prayer out of your Eid munajaat... but tomorrow's one gonna be a killer, and hey. the sillies need help too.

Eid is in the Air...all over Houston.

Akhtar Hossain hossain@mwk.com Houston, USA:

Would appreciate postings from Bangladesh and else where around the world on how Eid is being Celebrated. initial reports speak of "happiness and more happiness" spreading on every nook and corner of Bangladesh. Must be a welcome break from

On this occasion, let us rekindle our commitment to the cause of peace among all of the peoples of the earth. If we are dedicated in our belief and constant in our labor, we can build a better future -- one of cooperation, understanding and compassion -- for ourselves and for our children.

-Bill Clinton, President, USA



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Out here in Houston, Texas Eid was Celebrated with a lot of pomp and gaity. A big Eid Jamat was held at the George Brown Convention Center in Downtown Houston. Despite being a week day, it is re-

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ple from different nationality attended the prayer. The prayer had to be held twice to accommodate people who were stuck in the traffic jam. In addition to this Eid Jamat was held in other local area Masjids. Local Radio and TV Channels covered the events at prime hours. The Houston Chronicle had pictures of the events. An other positive element was Hakeem Olajuan - a beautiful ambassador of Islam. took pains to spread the true meaning of Islam, Ramadan and Eid. Many activities are planned for the weekend for all age groups.

Eid and Ekushey February Syed A. Yousuf pearljam@vax2.winona.msus,ed

Let us not forget ekushey in

PSAHA

psaha@sirius.wright.edu Eid Mobarak to all Bangladeshi Muslim Brothers and sisters here at USA and

over there at Bangladesh. May

Clinton's EID Message

God bless us all.

Here is Clinton's greetings to the Muslim community on the occasion of Eid-al-Fitr.

Clinton: on behalf of all americans, I want to extend my personal greetings to the entire muslim community. here in the united states and around the world, as it celebrates the id al-fitr.

This week marks the end of the holy month of ramadan. It is a time for rejoicing and celebration, but it is also a time for reflection and rededication. On this occasion, let us rekindle our commitment to

the cause of peace among all of the peoples of the earth. If we are dedicated in our belief and constant in our labor, we can build a better future -- one of cooperation, understanding and compassion -- for ourselves and for our children. Let us also remember the values of family and community as well as our responsibility for those who are less fortunate -- ideals that lie at the heart of Ramadan. These principles of personal commitment to faith and to society truly are universal values.

So, as the new moon ushers in this holy celebration, let me say to all who follow the faith of islam here in the united states and around the world the traditional greeting; "assalaamu alaykum," may peace be with you, and may god grant, you health and prosperity now and in the years ahead.

Lyrics - 'Amar Shonar Bangla' or the song itself

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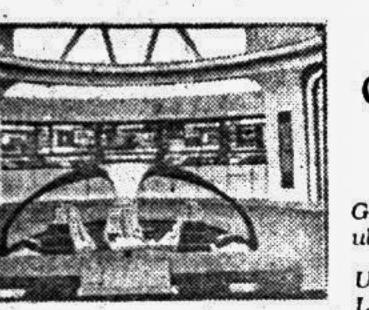
Dear Countrymen and Fellow Enthusiasts

We are holding a seminar this Wednesday but have been unable to obtain a bengal ityped version of the National Anthem for presentation to the American public. Please, if you have this we would like to ftp it from you. If you are willing to help us out please e-mail us at dsadmbsa@prism.gatech.edu. Please leave your name, e-mail address and phone number OR call us at either (404) 872-9414 or (404) 206-1839 (leave a message and we'll get back to you).

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Canada:

Will-anybody send me the national anthem through sound card of bangladesh need to play that in my class. I will appriciate that. There's a shoddy version (if all else fails) in encarta 95 & encarta 96 cd



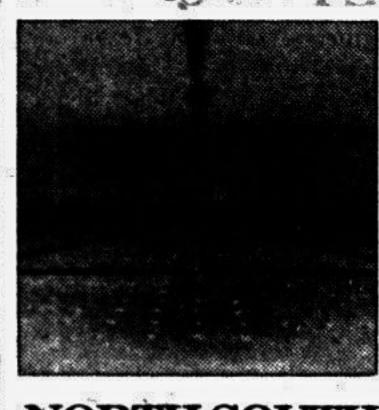
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NORTH SOUTH UNIVERSITY

ZAEd szm2133@ocvaxa.cc.oberlin.ed Oberlin. Ohio. USA: I think that it hurts our

senses to learn that after

coming all the way to a foreign country, that one institution in Bangladesh is providing better education than many of the state colleges in this country. That is the truth wether we acknowledge it or not. Some people have pointed at the lack of departments and a lack of a science lab. But one problem is the answer to the other problem, the university is yet to open natural science courses. I know that NSU was not started just out of the altruistic cause of stopping brain drain from Bangladesh, but what ever the reason behind the advant of the university, it is giving a good solid education to those who are interested and willing to take it. I know that is expensive, and a good solid education should be expensive. I don't believe in the theory that everyone has to be a university graduate, whther they are meritorious of not. NSU is unfair in this respect that it might not give a chance to a meritorious student who is poor, but the culture of private universities in the near future may give some sort of financial aid to poor students after they become well established.

My only point is this is a new venture, give a chance to fullfill some of the expectations that all of us have for a private universities. The best private universities in this country were set up more than 200 years ago, and NSU has only been existance for three years. I don't think that it has had enough time to show it's worthyness.

University of Dhaka/ **Asiatic Society of** Bangladesh

Neville S. Arachchige Don, Director, International Research Foundation for Development, IRFD@aol.com, USA:

I am trying to contact the History Department at the University of Dhaka and the Asiatic Society of Bangladesh. I cannot find any adresses or telephone numbers of these two. If you do, or know of anyone else that could help me, please let me know. It would be greatly appreciated.

Rajshahi University

D.W.Eaton <Unknown> (guest)

I am looking for a friend who lectures (used to lecture?) at the University of Rajshahi. He was in Mass Communications. His name is Salim Reza Newton. If any knows his address and if he is still there please let me know. Also, is

Survey on classification in libraries

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University of Newcastle .. Libraries, Australia:

Pardon me for cross-

posting to so many newsgroups, but I need help from people in many different countries. I am trying to survey classification practice in libraries in the Asia-Pacific region,

particularly use of the Dewey Decimal Classification, for a report that I am writing. (I am defining the Asia-Pacific region as the area South and East of China and Pakistan. including those countries, through to the island nations of the Pacific).

For the survey I need contacts in as many libraries as possible. I would prefer email contacts, but I will use ordinary mail if it is neces-

· So, if you are a librarian, or know the names and addresses of any librarians, l would appreciate it if you could send me the addresses of any libraries or librarians in the region, so that I can send a copy of my survey to them. I promise it will only be a short one, and will not take much time to reply to! It will be in English, as I do

report, I hope to deliver it to the IFLA Conference in Beijing next August. A who wishes a copy by e-mail will be welcome to it, if they request it, but I expect that it will be too long to post to

not read any Asian languages.

When I have finished my



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hobby.

this group.

Do you have any unwanted stamps lying around your house that you don't need? I'm interested in Bangladesh stamps from the years 19xx -1975. I've restarted collecting stamps again and I would like to give my collection to my daughters one day, hoping that they'll continue with it has a

that can help me please or spare me with your duplicates. Or perhaps you might know someone who dosen't want their stamps. I thank you in advance, send

Is there anyone out there

e-mail to: carol@cam.org

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