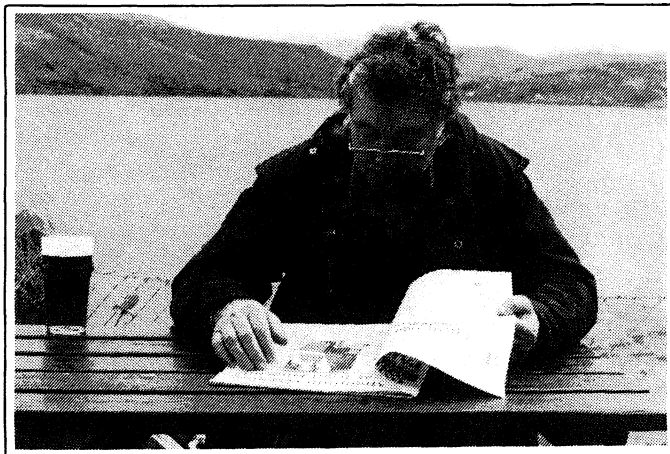


In case you were wondering....

- It's a crime in Zion, Illinois to offer a cigar to a dog cat or any pet
- In Logan County, Colorado it's illegal to kiss a sleeping woman
- In North Carolina motels, it's a crime to move twin beds together or to make love on the floor
- Children are prohibited from doing handstands on the streets in Denver, Colorado

*Third Bathroom Reader. 1990*



*You can go on holiday, but you can't hide! This pic passed to Balance by an anonymous source who suggested that the photo may have been taken at breakfast time and shows a different side of this practitioner from what can normally be observed on Friday nights at Petty Sessions.*

## Don't Go to Dhaka

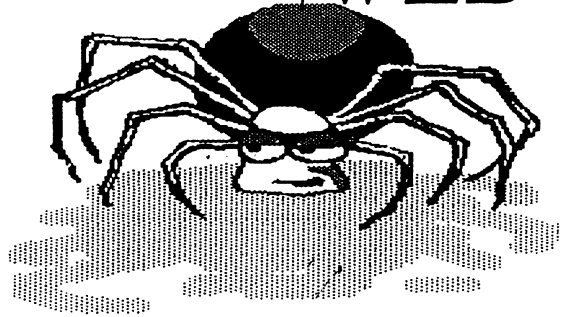
Drover's Dog reports in the June issue of *Brief*, the Law Society of WA's journal, on an article from the *China Post*, describing the first Bangladeshi Muggers' Conference, attended by over 100 delegates.

The conference resolved, among other things, to double daily operations to 120 "in order to meet social and family demands".

The conference awarded a "Master Hijacker" award to Mohammed Rippon (a few consonants short of the most appropriate name ever) for his supreme effort of 21 muggings in 2 hours.

One sincerely hopes that this story will not be a source of inspiration for the members of the profession in WA, who are shortly to hold their annual conference in Darwin.

# THE SPIDER'S WEB



Aspirations to join the Judiciary? Read on...

*The following is an excerpt from an obituary found in Infoline, journal of the Malaysian Bar Association, April 1996 issue.*

"But the fact that he led a lonely life is all the more to be admired for that is precisely how judges ought to live. Some say it is unreasonable to expect judges to live like monks, but we beg to differ. Those who cannot resist being seen at any old function in town, or playing golf with any bigshot Tom, Dick or Harry should perhaps consider careers other than the Judiciary. The Judiciary is not for party animals."

## Hanged by Red Tape

We, the Appeal Tribunal unanimously find the trial Judge erred in fact and in law, in that he accepted evidence which was inadmissible and rejected evidence he should have admitted; exceeded his jurisdiction in imposing a death sentence when the maximum penalty was only life imprisonment

We are in full agreement with the reasoned contention of learned Defence Counsel that this case should never have been brought to trial.

We note, however the Appeal Record was filed 11 minutes after the mandatory period; and further, the Memo is typed on A6 paper when Rules stipulate A4. What's worse, the margin according to our ruler is a mere centimetre when it should be an inch - nothing less, nothing more.

It is with regret, therefore that we have to disallow this Appeal; our sincere comiserations to the prisoner and his soon-to-be widow.

Cecil Rajendra  
Infoline April 1996

## Hobson's Choice?

*Law Talk* 459 out of the Shaky Isles, reports that the inaugural Phillips Fox debate was held last month at Victoria University, Wellington.

The topic was "*I'd rather be a lawyer than an Australian*" and voting was carried out by means of a voting pack issued to every member of the audience.

To vote for "Australian", members of the audience were exhorted to raise a can of XXXX and blow a hooter; to express a vote for "lawyer", the gavel was raised and the hooter blown.

The verdict? (a fine example of national characteristic, thought the *Spider's Web*). It was a draw.