

An ongoing Diary

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Today was not such a good day. I spent most of the day resting as I got a terrible "cold". It's those darn air conditioners, going in and out from hot to cold, and back again always gives me a "cold". Unavoidable I guess.

I got up in the afternoon to read something but fell asleep, the medications make me very drowsy no matter what the labels say to the contrary.

I made a picture of what I would have liked to be feeling, today. Full of energy and as tall as the tallest building in the world. But it was not to be. Quite the opposite I would say.

In addition there are problems with our email connections and the passwords which can not be read correctly, so we can not be sending information back and forth between here in New York and Mexico City, through our server in California. The connections here in New York are downright pathetic, I have faster connections over normal telephone lines in Mexico City than the ones I have obtained here in

New York. There is this mythology about services in the first world vs. those in the third world. All I can say is that we have in many things a lot better services in Mexico City than those I have found in the so called "first world". Among these internet connections are better, and not just a bit, but a lot better. I am of course making the comparison between telephone lines and telephone lines, not with high speed connections, which we do not have yet. But even in England it was no better than what I found here in NY.

My brother in law, showed me last night an internet connection at ISDN speeds from his lap top computer via a wireless modem, I tried it, it was impressive. Especially after the poor phone connection I was getting here in NYC. At some point the connections were going down to 2400 bpm, if one can imagine. That was like in the early days of on line computing, like ten or more years ago.

I was later told that the Co. that provided the wireless service, had just gone broke, and maybe that service was no longer available, but be that as it may, I am sure some one else will be providing such a service again, sooner or later. It is terrific to be able and log on from anywhere from your computer and at those speeds. Well not anywhere either, it was available just for New York and San Francisco, but even so. It has to start somewhere.

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