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Thoughts From The President . . .

By Damien A. Gabis
IAMFES President

For those who were not able to attend, I want to report that the IAMFES Annual Meeting in Louisville was a success story for our Association. I want to thank all those who worked to make it happen. The teamwork, enthusiasm, and dedication resulted in an excellent meeting for all who attended. The Annual Meeting is the embodiment of the Objectives of IAMFES found in our Constitution and Bylaws. From the beginning, with the keynote Ivan Parkin Lecture by Gary Hanman (CEO, Mid-America Dairymen) to the last session on Wednesday afternoon, the meeting was a constant experience of high quality inspiration and information.

Thanks to the Kentucky Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians for graciously hosting us at The Galt House in Louisville. Dale Marcum, the local arrangements chairperson, and his colleagues worked very hard to make our social program a pleasant experience.

The Program Advisory Committee (PAC) under Professor John Bruhn’s leadership organized a very high quality technical program. Technical program development through the work of the PAC continues to improve the Annual Meeting. Many new attendees voiced their approval of the technical content of the program, and said they would be back next year. Some people indicated that the IAMFES meeting’s focus on food protection issues is the most important reason for their attending. I know for me, that the chance to talk with my old friends to catch up on the news is a major reason for attending the meeting. At the same time, many new friends are made each year. The moderate size of our meeting permits greater chances for sharing among the participants.

The speakers in the eleven symposia provided plenty of opportunities for the attendees to find out the latest information and ideas in the different subject areas covered. While all of the symposia were outstanding, I believe that the “Computers in Food Protection” session of Charles Otto generated quite a high level of interest not only because of the technical content alone, but also because of the demonstrations of the software. In the technical sessions, new and useful data were shared with attendees by those who reported on their research findings and field experiences.

Interactions with colleagues from other associations that work in food protection allowed attendees to learn more about the food protection activities of these other groups. There was much sharing of information and ideas in the informal meetings and friendly conversations going on in the hallways and exhibit area.

The “Workshop on Procedures to Investigate Foodborne Illness” conducted by Dr. Frank Bryan was attended by 39 participants. I heard many favorable comments from participants about the good value of the workshop. The experimental success with this first offering is great encouragement for future workshops at the Annual Meeting. Many thanks to Dr. Bryan for putting the workshop together and presenting it.

Another “great experiment” at this year’s meeting was the Poster Session. This too was a great success. Bruce Langlois marshaled the event. The Program Committee for next year’s meeting in Toronto has committed to making the Poster Session a permanent feature of our meeting.

The IAMFES Video Theater was yet another new introduction on this year’s agenda. Dr. Dave McSwane coordinated the programs. The theater was well-attended at all times during the showings. This is a great opportunity to showcase IAMFES’ video lending library. The video theater will be included in next year’s program.

The excellent work of the entire Ames staff in putting the meeting together, coordinating all the different facets including registration, allowed the meeting to flow as smoothly as it did. All the staff contributed to the success of the meeting, but I would like to especially recognize the leadership of Steve Halstead, Margie Marble, Scott Wells, Julie Heim, Dee Buske and Chris Ricke for their individual contributions.

I want to thank the exhibitors for their continuing moral and financial support of our Association. The exhibits provide yet another opportunity for the attendees to learn about new products and services that can help carry out the work of our profession. The support of the exhibitors in recognizing that the IAMFES Annual Meeting has a long tradition as an educational meeting is particularly appreciated.

Unfortunately, attendance was lower this year than last. Many attendees said that budgetary restrictions at all levels of government, academia, and industry prevented quite a few regulars from attending this year’s meeting. Nevertheless, there were some members who attended the meeting at their personal expense.

Congratulations to all the award winners! Your recognition for outstanding contributions and achievements in food protection is well-deserved.

Special congratulations go to Andrea Baloga who placed first in the Developing Scientist Competition with her paper titled “Comparison of Methods for Molecular Epidemiology of Listeria monocytogenes.” Dr. Jim Marshall coordinated this year’s competition.

I want to welcome Dee Clingman, our new Secretary, and bid adieu to Ron Case who is leaving the Board as Past President. Ron has served IAMFES for five productive years as a member of the Executive Board. I want to thank Bob Sanders for his hard work and the contributions he has made to IAMFES over the years, and I want to especially recognize his leadership this past year as President. I personally want to thank Ron Case along with Bob Sanders, and Bob Gravani, our President in 1988-89, for having been my mentors in teaching me the “ropes” of the duties at each position in which I have served on the Board.

The Program and Local Arrangements Committees are already hard at work preparing for next year’s meeting in Toronto. Start making your plans now to attend. The IAMFES Annual Meeting is very worthwhile for anyone working in food protection.
In going over the evaluations of the annual meeting, I came across one that I would like to share with you. The evaluator was taking us to task for including the price of the Awards Banquet in the registration fee.

This was the first year that we had done it. Our thinking was that this would encourage people to attend. The Banquet is the premiere event for a voluntary association as it is at the Banquet that those who have demonstrated outstanding service to the association can be recognized by their peers for their good deeds. In other words, it is an association’s way of saying “Thanks”.

One reason why some people don’t attend the Awards Banquet is because their employer won’t pay for it. By including the Banquet ticket in the Registration fee theoretically gets around that problem and allows more people to attend. Also, it stands to reason that if people have already paid for the activity, they will be more likely to attend.

The down side of this arrangement is that some people resent having to pay for an activity whether they attend or not.

A lesser point in favor of continuing the practice at least a second year is that in the first year we educated the registrants to what we were doing, and to change from that again, would only serve to further the confusion.

Both sides have pretty powerful arguments. It remains for the Executive Board to determine what we will do next year.

The evaluator also made the point that we should be ashamed of ourselves for wasting all that food. To quote: “Wasting food is not ethical when many people are starving all over the world.”

I couldn’t agree more.

In planning conventions, hotels force us to guarantee a certain number of meals forty-eight hours in advance. This means that we pay for that number or more. For example, if we guarantee 300 for a function and only 250 show up, we still have to pay for 300. However, if 325 show up, we pay for 325.

Realizing that we were going to have to estimate the number of meals we would need, we made arrangements with the Family Shelter in Louisville to have all extra food delivered there. Had we guaranteed more meals than we needed, the extras would have been donated to the Shelter. As it ends up, we underestimated each time, so there was no extra food. No food was wasted.

Nearly all associations that I know of are now donating their overages to food pantries, shelters, etc. You might want to check what your local group is doing. Also, what about the extra food at your company’s cafeteria? If it is just being thrown out, perhaps it could be put to good use locally.

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3-A Update

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Summary

The 3-A Sanitary Standards Committees met twice in the previous nine months. There were 28 tentative 3-A documents (two tentative practices and 26 tentative standards) reviewed by the 3-A Committees. At these two meetings, 13 tentative 3-A Standards and two tentative 3-A Practices were approved by the 3-A Committees. The new, revised or amended 3-A documents will be published in the first six to nine 1992 issues of Dairy, Food and Environmental Sanitation. Pre-prints are available from the 3-A Secretary.

Tentative 3-A Standards or Practices Approved for Publication

- 3-A Sanitary Standards for Hose Assemblies for Milk and Milk Products, Number 08-17L.
- 3-A Sanitary Standards for Fittings Used on Milk and Milk Products Equipment and Used on Sanitary Lines Conducting Milk and Milk Products (Vacuum Breakers and Check Valves), Parts I and II Number 08-17M.
- 3-A Sanitary Standards for Fittings Used on Milk and Milk Products Equipment and Used on Sanitary Lines Conducting Milk and Milk Products (Fittings and Plug-Type Valves), Parts I and II, Number 08-20.
- Amendments to Parts I & II of the 3-A Sanitary Standards for Fittings Used on Milk and Milk Products Equipment and Used on Sanitary Lines Conducting Milk and Milk Products (Diaphragm-Type Valves), Number 08-20B.
- Revisions to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Silo-Type Storage Tanks for Milk and Milk Products, Number 22-05.
- Amendments to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Filters for Dry Milk and Dry Milk Products, Number 26-02.
- Revisions to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Air Eliminators for Milk and Fluid Milk Products, Number 29-01.
- Revisions to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Scraped Surface Heat Exchangers, Number 31-01.
- Amendments to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Portable Bins for Dry Milk and Dry Milk Products, Number 34-02.
- 3-A Sanitary Standards for Refractometers and Energy Absorbing Optical Sensors for Milk and Milk Products, Number 46-00.
- 3-A Sanitary Standards for Sonic Horns, Number 49-00.
- 3-A Sanitary Standards for Level Sensing Devices for Dry Milk and Dry Milk Products, Number 50-00.
- Revisions to 3-A Accepted Practices for the Sanitary Construction, Installation, Testing and Operation of HTST and HHST Pasteurizer Systems, Number 603-06.
- Amendments to 3-A Accepted Practices for Permanently Installed Product and Solution Pipelines and Cleaning Systems Used in Milk and Milk Product Processing Plants, Number 605-04.

The serial numbers above are those of the revised or amended 3-A documents.

Further Revision by Task Committees Necessary

There were six tentative 3-A documents reviewed by the 3-A Committees in November or May or both which were returned to the appropriate equipment task committees for further revision.

Tentative Amendments to 3-A Sanitary Standards Used on Milk and Milk Products Equipment and Used on Sanitary Lines Conducting Milk and Milk Products (Pressure Reducing and Back Pressure Valves), Parts I & II, Number T-08-17N, First Revision, February 1991. The User-Committee returned this tentative document back to the Fittings Task Committee for preparation of a second revision. The User-Committee and the Sanitarian Committee recommended numerous substantive changes to be included in the second revision. The revision will include criteria for pneumatic self-acting valves and heat sterilization for air and pneumatic type valves. The second revision will be reviewed in joint User/Task Committee session during the May 1992 3-A Sanitary Standards Committees meeting.

Tentative Revisions to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Fittings Used on Milk and Milk Products Equipment and Used on Sanitary Lines Conducting Milk and Milk Products (Automatic Positive Displacement Samplers), Parts I and II, Number 08-17D, Proposal, February, 1991 was returned to the task committee with a request for a first revision to be resubmitted to the User Committee for a second joint discussion. The User Committee questioned the limits of product contact surfaces and whether, thread surfaces are or are not in the product contact zone. There was also an unresolved issue of a non-smooth finish on certain non-
product areas. The task committee is also to reconsider the scope of these standards.

Tentative Amendments to 3-A Standards for Fittings Used on Milk and Milk Products Equipment and Used on Sanitary Lines Conducting Milk and Milk Products (Fittings and Plug-Type Valves), Number 08-17 as amended, Proposal, February 1991. This document was returned to the task committee because of 3-A Steering Committee action on a request to separate fittings and plug valves into two standards. Recommendations to the task committee made by the User Committee when preparing the new standards are to include provisions for glass and plastic fittings, define a CIP fitting, rewrite the scope for both new standards, include mechanical cleaning criteria in both, include necessary criteria for clamp-type fittings, review all sections for currently used verbiage and to move the drawings in Part II to the appropriate lettered 08 standard. The task committee shall also review the number system for this series. This will require a task committee meeting and re-submission to the User Committee for a second joint discussion during the May 1992 3-A Sanitary Standards Committees meeting.

Tentative Amendments to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Instrument Fittings and Connections Used on Milk and Milk Products Equipment, Number 09-08, Proposal, September 1990. This document was returned to the task committee for a title and scope change, additional definitions for pressure and temperature sensors, and other items agreed to by most committee members. Expanded detail on the drawings was also requested. The User Committee will review and ballot on the first revision by letter.

Tentative Revisions to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Farm Milk Cooling and Holding Tanks, Number 13-08, Fourth Revisions, May 1990. The SSS and task committee agreed to most of the requested changes. The cooling requirements need further revising by the task committee. The User Committee will review and ballot a fifth revision by letter.

Tentative Amendments to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Formers, Fillers and Sealers of Single Service Containers for Milk and Fluid Milk Products, Number 17-07, Second Revision, November 1990. The Sanitarians referred this tentative document back to the task committee for a major rewrite. The Sanitarian Committee offered a proposed scope and outline form for the Fillers and Sealers Task Committee to consider. The scope is intended to cover all types of liquid filling equipment such as that used to (1) form fill and seal paper containers, (2) fill and cap plastic preformed containers, (3) to fill and close bag-in-box containers, (4) form, fill and seal aseptic hermetically sealed containers, and (5) form-fill-seal containers. The Sanitarians also recommended that work be continued on tentative revisions to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Equipment for Packaging Frozen Desserts, Cottage Cheese and Similar Milk Products, Number 23-01. A meeting of the Fillers and Sealers, and Ice Cream-Cottage Cheese Fillers Task Committees is required to consider these requests. Both documents will have to be resubmitted to the User Committee for consideration at the May 1992 3-A Committees meeting.

Tentative Revisions to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Multiple-Use Plastic Materials Used as Product Contact Surfaces for Dairy Equipment, Number 20-14 as amended, Third Revision, November 1990. Most of the changes discussed were agreeable to both User and task committees. The Plastic Committee chair has supplied the necessary changes. The User Committee will review and ballot by letter.

Minor Revisions Only

There were three review documents considered by the User Committee and moved directly to the Sanitarian Committee without any intervening review by the task committees or User Committee. They are:

3. Tentative Revisions to 3-A Sanitary Standards for Uninsulated Tanks for Milk and Milk Products, Number 32-01, Third Revision, May 1990.

Further Development Ceased

Tentative 3-A Sanitary Standards for Fittings Use on Milk and Milk Products Equipment and Used on Sanitary Lines Conducting Milk and Milk Products (Butterfly Valves), Number T-08-17K, First Revision, February 1991. The User Committee raised concerns about mechanical cleaning, and the ability to easily disassemble this style of valve for manual cleaning and inspection.

Tentative Amendments to 3-A Sanitary Standards Used on Milk and Milk Products Equipment and Used on Sanitary Lines Conducting Milk and Milk Products (Compression-Type Valves), Parts I & II, Number T-08-20A First Revision, November 1990. The Sanitarians Committee recommendation was to refer this tentative document back to the Sanitarian Task Committee and to incorporate appropriate portions of T-08-20A into tentative 3-A Standards T-08-17N - Pressure Reducing and Back Pressure Valves and cancel T-08-20A. (Task Committee and User Committee members agreed with these recommendations.) Task Committee members are preparing a second revision to 3-A T-08-17N accordingly.

Tentative 3-A Sanitary Standards for Formers, Fillers and Sealers and Other Packaging Equipment for Milk and Milk Products in Single Service Containers and Packages, Number T-51-00, Second Revision, November 1990. The Sanitarian Committee recommended that the task committees discontinue any further work on the document. The scope is too broad and these proposed standards would cover too many types of equipment, rendering this an unusable document.

Steering Committee Highlights

The Steering Committee is the policy setting group for
the 3-A program, and reviews requests for new standards activities.

There were five requests for new 3-A standards activity which included revisions to 17 existing 3-A documents plus a request for new standards for quick disconnect valves. The 3-A Steering Committee referred requests for revisions or amendments to 3-A 08-17, 3-A 27-01 and 3-A 44-00 to appropriate equipment task committees and requested more information before proceeding with others.

The 3-A Steering Committee approved a request to establish a Spray Drier Task Committee. Anyone interested in being a member of this new committee, please contact the 3-A Secretary.

The 3-A Steering Committee discussed what documentation is necessary before a plastic material is listed in the "Partial List of Plastics..."

1. Plastics must meet FD&C Act criteria for food contact.
2. All plastics for listing must be tested according to and meet the criteria for acceptance in 3-A Standards 20-14 as amended, or most current revision thereof. (Note: items 1 and 2 are now and have been the policy).
3. Re-testing a plastic material already meeting (1) and (2) above, by a fabricator of plastic parts, need not be done provided:
   a) The fabricated part was made from the same resin as was used for preparing samples used for previous testing i.e. no change in chemical composition of the final fabricated part is allowed without further testing.
   b) The manufacturing processes used for manufacturing the final fabricated parts are substantially the same as those used in preparing the test samples.
   c) Certification of (1), (2) and (3), (a) and (b) must be made in writing to the 3-A Secretary.

Following a general discussion on 3-A SOP, the 3-A Steering Committee recommended the following:
1. All request for revisions or new 3-A document must contain the following:
   a) Proposed Scope (mandatory for new documents and for revisions of 3-A documents if the proposed revisions require a change in scope),
   b) Brief but understandable description of the proposed project,
   c) Justification and, if any, the public health significance, and
   d) Descriptive literature or photographs and line drawings.
2. The SOP will be changed to include representation from Sanitarians, United States Public Health Service and the User Committee during 3-A task committee meetings to assist in preparing proposals for new or revised 3-A documents.

3-A Steering Committee members reviewed data on measuring surfaces using stylus profilometers, and a portable stylus-type profilometer was demonstrated. The Committee recommended an Ra of 35 micro-inch be included as an Appendix section of new and revised standards for consideration by the 3-A Committees as a numerical measurement of a number 4 finish on stainless steel sheets. Procedures and terms shall be according to American National Standard, ASME/ANSI B46.1 1985, Surface Texture, (Surface Roughness, Waviness, and Lay) or ISO Standard, ISO 4287/1, Surface Roughness - Terminology - Part I: Surface and Its Parameters.

Future 3-A Sanitary Standards Committee meetings through 1997 will be the third full week in May and held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin at The Grand Hotel.

The tentative dates are: May 18 - 22, 1992; May 17 to 21, 1993; May 10 to 20, 1994; May 22 to 26, 1995; May 20 to 24, 1996 and May 19 to 23, 1997. The length of any one meeting may be shortened as the work load dictates.
Plant Effluents Dairy Waste Streams Recovery

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The Problem

The typical dairy plant effluent problem originates from one or a combination of the two following areas.

The Cause

Hydraulics

Tremendous amounts of water are used in virtually every dairy product manufacturing process. In the manufactured milk products business, effluent volumes often exceed process volumes severalfold. This is especially true in the various sectors of the industry dealing with volumetric reduction functions like condensing and drying. These industries and processes can be thought of as water producers rather than water users.

The Effect

These process waste streams are diverted to biological treatment systems where flow rates and consequently residence / detention times are critical to successful operation. Whether this is a municipal system or one that is owned and operated for a single commercial facility, large deviations in influent flow from design capacity will give significant reductions in operating efficiency. Consequently waste treatment plant effluent can fall outside allowable discharge levels.

The Solution

Segregation and re-use of used water streams that are free of contaminants is a simple and often very inexpensive way of initiating water conservation efforts and decreasing discharge volumes. Streams with low level BOD₅ contaminants can also be reclaimed and treated for re-use in various applications.

The Cause

Organic Concentrations

The second contributor to plant effluent problems is the concentration of organic material within the process waste water streams. These concentrations, often quantified in terms of BOD₅, define the microbiological load on the waste treatment facility.

The Effect

BOD₅ loadings which exceed treatment plant influent design capacities require extended detention times within the system in order to allow microbiological reduction of organics. Sporadic over-loadings adversely affect microbial health by rapidly depleting dissolved oxygen content in the system. If hydraulics limitations of the plant do not allow proper detention, the discharged effluent will not be within regulatory compliance limits.

The Solution

Product and product rinse recovery for re-use in ingredient formulations offers significant return on investment because it boosts yields and reduces waste treatment costs. In facilities where product recovery is already done or is not possible due to the nature of the products, segregation and treatment of streams which contribute highly to effluent BOD₅ concentrations is an alternative. Treatment and recovery of lost product for human or animal nutrients can be economically justifiable and often lucrative.

Solving the Problem

Identifying the Problem

Obviously recognizing that there is a problem is the first step toward solving a waste water problem. Once it has been recognized, a great deal of work needs to be done to define or exactly identify what the source of the problem is. As previously discussed, the cause of the waste water problem may be one of hydraulics, organic concentration, or some combination of both. The bulk of the problem may be attributable to a single process stream or it may be the result of several major contributors. Isolating the streams which make significant contributions to the total hydraulic or organic effluent load takes advantage of the diminishing returns of waste streams pretreatment.

Selecting the Treatments

Once the streams in question have been identified and analyzed the process of selecting the most appropriate treatment takes place. This selection procedure is based on many different comparisons and constraints of the various treatment options available and will vary from case to case. Some of the considerations are the efficiency of the treatment on the particular stream, space constraints, plant location, construction constraints, aesthetics, technological requirements, personnel requirements, and capital requirements.
**Initiating the Pretreatment Program**

Starting a pretreatment program in a plant is a complex and often far-reaching project. It involves every aspect of the daily operation of a plant including production, quality assurance, mechanical services, personnel training, and financial operations. Strict attention must be given both physically and psychologically to separate recovery as a process and waste water treatment as a plant service.

**Evaluating the Results**

Success of a process waste recovery project will depend greatly on the attention the project received during the development phases. Involvement of plant personnel in the planning and implementation phases of the project is essential. An understanding by plant staff of the intention of process waste pretreatment, the principle of operation of pretreatment, the principle of operation of down-stream biological waste treatment, and the effects of inadequate recovery from both a financial and physical perspective will enhance the degree of success of the project. As waste water treatment costs continue to rise and the availability of water becomes more finite, the amount of recovery yielding greater than marginal return will increase.

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**Table 2.1 Defining Various Waste Streams**

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| Low BOD5 Streams          | Evaporator Condensate |
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**Table 2.2 Separation Methods and Categories**

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**Figure 4.5 Waste Pretreatment and Water Recovery Scheme**

*Figure 4.5 demonstrates, in block diagram format, how the various process waste streams can be treated for recovery of dairy solids and water prior to final discharge. Type of treatment and sequence of treatment procedures will vary based on the type of effluent streams to be treated, the concentration of organics and other foulants or constraining components found in each of the streams, and the various economic constraints.*

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**Figure 5.2 Membrane Filtration**

Ultrafiltration can be used for selectively separating fats and proteins from a process waste stream for direct recovery or as a concentrating step to reduce volumes for further processing. Greater than 90% of the total protein and virtually all of the fat is retained by the membrane.

Reverse Osmosis can be used to recover water for re-use from low BOD5 process streams. Recovery of up to 90% of the volume can be realized while producing a recovered water stream with a greater than 90% BOD5 reduction.
Chemical flocculation and dissolved air floatation is a process well suited to the recovery of proteins and fats from dairy effluent streams. The process relies on pH adjustment and polymer chemistry to precipitate and coagulate colloidal material within the effluent. The protein and fats agglomerate and form flocs.

**Figure 6.4 Flocculation and Air Floatation**

Primary Phase Separation:
- precipitation
- pH adjustment
- flocculation
- polymer
- flotation
- compressed air

Secondary Phase Separation:
- de-watering
- heating
- decanting
- pressing

Solids Slurry
Water with a high dissolved oxygen content is injected under pressure. The air is released as tiny bubbles which rise through the solution and carry the flocs to the surface where they further agglomerate. After a period of time, a complete phase separation has occurred between the insoluble protein and fat flocs and the solubles within the discharge effluent. The agglomerated solids phase can be de-watered to a slurry or completely dried for ease of handling.

**Table 7.7 Economics of Various Waste Treatment Methods**

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Conclusions

There are several commercially available methods of dairy waste pretreatment for solids and water recovery. As biological treatment becomes more expensive and municipal systems become more selective in their acceptance of ever increasing organic and hydraulic loads, the industry will be forced to take a more active participation in the treatment of the various process waste streams. It will no longer be an acceptable practice to continue expanding plant capacity with no contingency for plant effluent discharge levels and handling schemes. The financial responsibility for treatment will be imposed on industry as the major contributors. This in turn will make selective waste stream segregation and pretreatment an increasingly profitable enterprise. Streams that would yield marginal gains in today's economic scenario will be seen as excessive losses in the near future.

Limitations on water consumption and waste discharge will become a reality that forces a greater environmental awareness and responsibility. The public perception of our industry as well as true economic gains will be the driving forces behind ever increasing scrutiny of what we allow to go down the drain. By implementing preventative practices to control water consumption and waste discharge levels now, we can avoid an image problem with the public that could severely tarnish and economically damage the industry.

The practical implementation of internal waste control and water consumption is no longer an issue deterred by marginal gain. Recovery of waste solids and water for reuse forces management as well as plant staff to physically quantify and defend losses. This is a preliminary exercise in identifying current practices that may be improved upon to reduce initial loss. Awareness then, is attained for both the environmental and the financial responsibility of plant operations.
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Industry Perspective on the BST Issue

How the food industry is learning about the development of a widely discussed dairy production aid.

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This is intended to provide a broad understanding of the field of biotechnology and to describe the very positive implications of this new field for the world of milk and dairy products. The end goal of technology, when applied to agriculture, is to improve the efficiency of food production or to enhance the quality of our food. That is the goal of one of the first major products of biotechnology being developed for the food business. I will discuss how this product came into being and how we expect this product to enhance the food industry. I will also address some of the regulatory and consumer perception implications of this product: bovine somatotropin, or BST.

What is BST?

First, it is important to recognize that our understanding of the use of BST in milk production is not new. The new knowledge centers on how to manage the use of BST effectively. That promises to be one of the first major success stories coming out of the biotechnology laboratory and onto the farm.

Scientists discovered in the 1930’s that an extract of a cow’s pituitary gland, known today as BST, increased the volume of milk produced when injected into the cow. Unfortunately, at that time the pituitaries of many cows were needed to yield enough BST to make one injection. That meant there was no practical way to apply this knowledge until the advent of recombinant DNA technology during the 1970’s.

Now, by isolating the gene responsible for BST production, we can splice that gene into a nonpathogenic bacteria routinely used in pharmaceutical fermentation systems and produce large quantities of BST—enough BST to supplement thousands of cows.

This basic technology is not really new. It has been used at Eli Lilly and Company since the early 1980’s to produce human insulin for diabetics. In more recent years, Lilly has used this technology to produce human somatotropin to treat children with growth deficiencies.

Until Lilly developed this technology, people with diabetes had to rely on insulin extracted from the pancreas glands of cattle and pigs. That animal-based insulin was limited in supply and was more difficult to purify than recombinant human insulin.

Using that same technology, today we can mass-produce BST which is biologically identical to the BST produced by a cow. The implications of that breakthrough are immense for the dairy industry. It means that dairy farmers can produce milk more efficiently, regardless of the size or location of their individual dairy operation. With BST, farmers can produce more milk on proportionately less feed, which holds the potential to provide more profit for the farmer.

BST also provides options for dairy management that can lead to further profit improvement. For the American farmer, who has seen his feeding costs skyrocket, BST provides an opportunity to produce the same amount of milk with fewer animals, thereby lowering his overhead. In times of milk shortage, such as we experienced during recent droughts over parts of the United States, BST could allow farmers in a region with adequate feedstuffs to boost their production and make up the shortfall being experienced elsewhere in the country.

On a global scale, BST will help boost milk production in underdeveloped nations and will help feed the undernourished people of many nations. As evidence of this potential, we have BST development projects under way in Eastern Europe, Pakistan, India and Mexico, as well as several other countries.1

Is BST safe?

We can drink milk from BST supplemented cows with confidence because giving BST to the cow does not change the milk. The safety of BST for people was verified by the Food and Drug Administration as long ago as 1985, and after five more years of research, the FDA—along with other health authorities—have reaffirmed that using BST on cows is safe for humans.
Medical science has known for many years that BST is inactive in humans. BST is a protein and is broken down in the digestive tract like other proteins. It has no effect when eaten. Even if BST is injected into humans, as was done under research conditions, the BST injections have no effect.

The human metabolic system simply does not have the capability to react to somatotropin from a cow. The structure of human somatotropin is substantially different from bovine somatotropin—BST.

BST is one of over 20 proteins found naturally in milk, but BST is in minuscule quantities compared to other proteins like casein and lactalbumin. The level of BST in the milk remains normal regardless of whether or not the cow has received supplemental BST.

This long-standing knowledge about the human safety of BST prompted the Food and Drug Administration to allow marketing of meat and milk from BST-supplemented cows in research studies beginning in 1985. FDA approval for commercial use is anticipated after the FDA completes its review of animal testing data to assure that BST can be used effectively and safely in dairy cows.

At present, hundreds of scientific reports have been submitted for review by the FDA. This large amount of research data is expected to support a decision by the FDA for the use of supplemental BST as a safe and effective management tool for use in dairy cows.

Each of the four companies developing BST (Elanco, Monsanto, Upjohn and American Cyanamid) must submit a separate package of research data for its individual product. Since this research is being repeated by four separate companies, BST has been said to be the most thoroughly tested and reviewed animal product ever to be developed for animal agriculture.

BST research has included over 300 studies on over 22,000 dairy cows. This unprecedented volume helps to explain the confidence expressed by Dr. Gerald Guest, Director of FDA’s Center for Veterinary Medicine, who said, “Milk from BST treated cows is safe for human consumption. This I can say unequivocally.”

Once the FDA approvals for commercial use are received, Eli Lilly and three other companies will be prepared to market BST to dairy farmers.

During the week of August 20, 1990, headlines across the country told consumers that BST is safe. The media reported that the FDA, in an unprecedented action, published a special report on the human safety of BST in Science, the highly respected peer-reviewed journal of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. This journal article confirmed that:

1. “...the protein based hormone BST is biologically inactive in humans.”
2. “...and is broken down in the digestive tract when orally consumed.”
3. “...bovine growth hormone and recombinant bovine growth hormone are biologically indistinguishable”
4. “...use of recombinant bovine growth hormone in dairy cattle presents no increased health risk to humans.”

The same week other headlines alerted consumers to another article on BST safety, this one in The Journal of the American Medical Association. This article by William H. Daughaday, M.D., and David M. Barbano, Ph.D., concluded, “Based on the scientific evidence, comments from the health professionals can now play an important role in reassuring the public about the safety of milk and refuting misconceptions about BST.”

Why do some people oppose BST?

If BST has been so thoroughly proven safe for consumers, and if BST holds such promise for improving the efficiency of dairy farm operations, then why would anyone oppose BST’s introduction? The reason is that there are groups who believe BST would be detrimental to those groups’ special interests. So, despite what is usually a lack of basic scientific knowledge on their part, these people are working to prevent society from benefiting from new technologies.

These special interest groups have attempted to mount a campaign based on fear and distortions of fact. They are attempting to capitalize on what is, unfortunately, a very limited understanding of science among many consumers.

For instance, they have charged at various times either that BST is harmful to humans or that its effects on the human body are unknown. This ignores the overwhelming scientific evidence. It ignores the human safety conclusions of the FDA and it argues against the recent information in Science magazine, in The Journal of the American Medical Association and conclusions of the National Institutes of Health. The special interest groups ignore the fact that every responsible authority agrees that milk and meat from BST-supplemented cows is safe for human consumption.

The opponents of BST often describe it as something that is added to milk. BST is never added to the milk, it is given to the cow. The special interest groups do not want to recognize that BST simply supplements the cow’s natural milk-production regulator. Milk quality and composition remain the same.

People who understand the facts about BST do not accept the tactics of the special-interest groups. For example, an editorial in the August 22/29, 1990 Journal of the American Medical Association says, “Because milk produced from cows treated with bovine somatotropin is no different from milk from untreated cows, it is both inappropriate and wrong for special interest groups to play on health and safety fears of the public to further their own ends.”

The statements of the anti-BST groups do not center on the facts, because if they did, the critics would have to admit that BST is not only natural and safe, it is environmentally friendly. As a protein, if BST is left in the environment, it quickly degrades like any other protein.

What is the real issue?

The real issue of BST is the survival of the scientific and regulatory processes and the right for everyone to benefit from advances made in the laboratory. This not only affects BST, it involves many other applications of biotechnology currently in the laboratories that hold great promise for enhanced food production and health care.

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If the foes of new technology can keep one product out of the marketplace, then they can keep other scientific breakthroughs off the market as well. They can oppose biotechnology without a reason, continuing their arguments that science itself is evil, regardless of the facts and the importance of a scientific breakthrough for mankind.

The implications of BST are broad. They may affect millions of people who are waiting for cures for cancer, for AIDS, and for a variety of other fatal diseases. Biotechnology holds the best hope for conquering these monumental human afflictions. If the progress of biotechnology were slowed or stopped, many people would never have the chance to benefit from the efforts of our scientists. Consider the consequences if, in the 1940’s, we had allowed special interests to prevent the development of the polio vaccine.

The food industry depends on technological progress. Today the public benefits from pasteurization, freeze-drying, vitamin and mineral fortification, protein engineering and many other processes that improve the quality and safety of our food. Without technological progress, in the future we would not benefit from dozens of new agricultural and food technologies now being developed.

It is important that we consider the implications of this crusade against technology because consumers will have questions about BST and other biotechnology products used in food production, and they are likely to turn to the providers of the items on grocery shelves. It is critical that the food industry fully understand both this technology and the vital role that science as a whole plays—and must continue to play—in the food industry.

Through credible sources of reliable information, consumers can come to appreciate more fully both the merits of biotechnology and the need to maintain support for the scientific process.

What is the public benefit?

Thanks to scientific advancement, Americans enjoy the highest-quality food supply in the world. Over the years, researchers have worked diligently to find new and better tools and methods to produce and process our food. Farmers and food processors have put these tools and methods to work and we all have reaped the benefits.

The benefits of technology are evident in the economical price of milk. Because of improvements in milk production technology, consumers have spent progressively less of their food budget on dairy products without diminishing the profitability of the family dairy farm. American consumers now pay about $2 per gallon for milk, thanks to new technologies such as artificial insemination, improved feeding practices and computerized record keeping. Without these new technologies, consumers would pay approximately $4 per gallon for milk. This is twice as much as we would pay if the dairy industry were still dependent solely on 1950’s technology. In 1988, these technologies saved consumers about $12 billion on their purchases of dairy products.7

Compared to all food, retail dairy product prices have increased at a slow pace since 1983. Dairy product prices have increased 2.2% per year on the average, while all food prices have increased an average of 3.8% per year.5

BST is just one more potential management tool in keeping with this trend toward more efficient production of high-quality, economical dairy products.

A comment by Barbara Keating-Edh, president of a very prominent consumer organization, Consumer Alert, describes our interests as consumers. Speaking at the annual meeting of the American Dairy Science Association in August, 1989, she said, “Consumers have no great desire to understand how cows produce milk; but they do care to know that it’s safe...in that, they look to experts in the dairy industry.

“Surely the public would wonder about the dairy industry’s judgment if it were known that it rejected a promising new and safe technology that could have enhanced productivity, increased efficiency and lowered milk prices.”9

Conclusion

In summary, it is critical that those of us involved in developing new technologies support three important goals:

1. That we protect the nation’s scientifically based regulatory process from manipulation by special interest groups.

2. That our free markets continue as the sole arbiters of the success of new products deemed safe and effective by the regulators.

3. That we remain committed to innovation which has provided Americans with an array of safe, nutritious and affordable food products.

The American consumer has come to expect this from the food industry. It is up to the food industry to see that our consumer expectations are met.

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Anaerobic-Aerobic Pretreatment of a Dairy Waste
A Case History

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Abstract

In 1987, High’s Dairies Inc. undertook a waste characterization and pilot study to assess anaerobic treatability of the wash water and whey from its Frederick, MD, operations using the ADI-BVFR® low-rate reactor. The data from the study was to be used to establish criteria for design of a full-scale treatment system.

The pilot reactor was operated at 32°C and an average organic loading of 1.17 kg COD/m³.d; it achieved average COD, BOD, SS and FOG removals of 90.5, 94.9, 71.0 and 74.2 percent, respectively, under steady-state conditions. The biogas quality averaged approximately 65 percent CH₄, 0.3 percent H₂S and 35 percent CO₂.

On the basis of the pilot study and a comparative analysis of alternative anaerobic systems with aerobic polishing, it was determined that the low-rate BVF® reactor, followed by an extended aeration plant, would be the most suitable and cost-effective system to meet the treatment requirements. Of significant importance in the economic analysis for the low-rate reactor was its ability to digest high levels of raw influent SS, FOG and waste aerobic solids from aerobic polishing and the fact that no pretreatment was needed.

In the fall of 1988, High’s began construction of a 2.5 MG BVF reactor followed by an activated sludge plant. Details of the system are provided in the text.

The BVF reactor began start-up in April 1989 and was through start-up in July 1989. Since July, the anaerobic reactor has typically achieved BOD/COD/SS removals of approximately 97, 95 and 85 percent, respectively. The overall system removals have been typically 99, 99 and 95 percent COD, BOD and SS, respectively.

All the biogas from the reactor is collected, with the majority of the gas burned in a triple-fuel boiler for the production of process steam; excess biogas is flared. The biogas supplies from 40 to 80 percent of the fuel requirements for process steam, depending on the season. Details of the biogas/boiler system are provided in the text.

Keywords


Introduction

High’s Dairy of Frederick, Maryland, manufactures a variety of dairy products (cottage cheese, sour cream, yogurt, ice cream mix, etc.) for domestic markets. Prior to 1989, process wastewater, whey, clean-up, and sanitary wastewater were treated on-site in an activated sludge system prior to discharge to the City sewer.

Wastewater from High’s existing treatment facilities was contributing significant pollution loads to the municipal sewage treatment plant. The City, under pressure from the Maryland EPA to reduce its pollution discharges, asked High’s to develop a plan to reduce its pollution load to the City sewer. The initial plan involved in-plant process modifications and the elimination of whey treatment in High’s existing treatment works. Whey was stored on-site and trucked to area farms at considerable cost to High’s.

In addition to the above plan, in 1987 ADI International Inc. was commissioned by High’s Dairy to carry out a pilot-scale anaerobic treatability study on the wastewater generated at its Frederick operation. The purpose of the pilot study was to investigate the anaerobic treatability of the wastewater, including whey, as well as to address concerns with operation and performance of the proposed low-rate anaerobic reactor. In addition to the pilot study, a wastewater flow and characterization study was also undertaken.

On the basis of the successful pilot results and together with the results of the flow and characterization study, it was concluded that ADI-BVF anaerobic pretreatment followed by aerobic polishing would satisfy discharge requirements.

Various anaerobic systems were considered, and the low-rate ADI-BVF system with biogas recovery and utilization, followed by an extended-aeration system, was judged by High’s to best meet their treatment plant needs. Subsequently, High’s signed a contract to have the above facility designed and constructed.

The following sections highlight the results of the pilot study, present operating data and details of the full-scale treatment system, including biogas handling.

Pilot Study

Objectives

The primary objectives of the pilot study were to:
1. Verify anaerobic treatability of the raw process wastewater including whey.
2. Verify proposed design criteria for the full-scale system.
3. Evaluate the system performance in terms of BOD/COD/SS/FOG removal.
4. Determine chemical requirements for nutrients and pH control.

**Apparatus**

The system consisted of a feed storage container and mixer; timer-controlled variable-speed pumps to feed the reactor and recirculate sludge; a 7.0-liter ADI-BVF reactor with heating tape for temperature control; biogas flow meter; and biogas collection and analysis equipment (see Figure 1).

**Operation**

The reactor was seeded with municipal anaerobic sludge and fed daily (7 days/week) with a composite sample consisting of process water and whey. The reactor was operated at a hydraulic retention time of 13 days, a 1:1 sludge recycle ratio and a temperature of 32°C.

The pilot study consisted of two phases: Phase 1 (day 1-56) was start-up, where the feed strength was gradually increased to full strength; Phase 2 (day 57-113) involved steady-state operations in terms of feed strength (i.e., 100 percent full strength).

Chemical additions for both nutrient and pH control were adjusted as required throughout the term of the study. Table I presents the sampling and testing schedule used throughout the study; Table II is a summary of the average characteristics of the raw wastewater used as influent.

**Pilot Study Discussion**

The overall results indicated that the low-rate BVF reactor was well-suited for treating the process wastewater including whey generated at High’s. Average COD, BOD, SS and FOG removals during steady-state operations (Phase 2), were 90.5, 94.9, 71.0 and 74.2 percent, respectively. The average loading rate and temperature for the same period was 1.17 kg COD/m³·d and 32°C, respectively.

Overall, both COD and BOD removal efficiencies exceeded 90 percent after an initial two-week acclimation period (approximately one HRT); SS removals during the same period were lower, averaging 71 percent.

**Full-Scale System**

**Design Data and Criteria**

Design data for the raw waste influent to the treatment system are as follows:

- **Average flow** = 681 m³/d (weekly average)
- **Peak flow** = 908 m³/d (daily peak)
- **COD**
  - Raw wastewater
  - 12 000 mg/L, 8 170 kg/d (weekly average)
  - 18 000 mg/L, 16 340 kg/d (daily peak)
- **BOD**
  - 4 800 mg/L, 3 270 kg/d (weekly average)
  - 7 200 mg/L, 6 540 kg/d (daily peak)
- **SS**
  - 400 mg/L, 300 kg/d (weekly average)
  - 660 mg/L, 600 kg/d (daily peak)
- **pH** = 4.12
- **Temperature** = 21°C

Sodium bicarbonate (NaHCO₃) was added to the reactor influent to increase the buffering capacity and alkalinity. Through days 1 to 47, NaHCO₃ addition was 2 g/L. Through days 48 to 113, NaHCO₃ addition was gradually reduced from 2 g/L to 0.25 g/L. It was felt that because of the high influent TKN no chemical for pH control would be needed in full-scale. The final effluent pH consistently stayed slightly above the neutral value—a desirable pH for stable operation.

During start-up, nitrogen and phosphorus supplements were added to the feed to ensure adequate nutrient availability for the anaerobic microorganisms. These nutrient supplements were subsequently eliminated as of day 43, as N and P testing indicated these nutrients were available in large excess.

Biogas analysis indicated that the average gas composition was approximately 65 percent CH₄, 35 percent CO₂, and 0.3 percent H₂S. The biogas was therefore of good quality and suitable as an alternative fuel.
The final effluent limits are:

BOD = 250 mg/L
SS = 160 mg/L

The anaerobic-aerobic system consists of a 2.5 MG ADI-BVF reactor followed by a Davis Water and Waste Industries packaged, extended-aeration activated sludge system. The average COD loading, calculated on the basis of the average raw wastewater characteristics and a reactive volume of 2.5 MG, is 0.9 kg/m^3d in the BVF reactor. The HRT of the anaerobic reactor is 13.9 days. The projected BVF performance is 85 percent BOD removal.

The Davis extended-aeration plant is sized for an average HRT of 1.3 days and an F/M of 0.15.

System Description

Figure 2 is a process schematic of the wastewater treatment facilities. The wastewater treatment facility is a supply-and-install system by ADI International Inc. and Davis Water and Waste Industries, Inc. In addition to the wastewater treatability study and the wastewater flow and characterization study, the scope of supply included:

1. overall site plan of the total treatment system (ADI);
2. design, drawings and specifications for a pile-supported, reinforced concrete foundation for the BVF reactor and the aeration system (ADI);
3. design, drawings and specifications for anaerobic and biogas yard piping (ADI);
4. design of control building (ADI);
5. supply and installation of the heat exchanger, biogas handling equipment, internal equipment for the BVF reactor, floating membrane cover system, boiler, electrical and controls systems (ADI);
6. BVF reactor start-up, commissioning and training services including preparation of process operating manuals for process start-up and biogas utilization system (ADI);
7. extended-aeration activated sludge system (Davis);
8. raw waste pumping station (Davis);
9. whey pump and whey storage (Davis);
10. influent and effluent piping (Davis);
11. liquid flow measurement and sampling (Davis); and
12. WAS pumps and piping (Davis).

Construction of the wastewater treatment facility commenced in October 1988 and was completed in April 1989.

FIGURE 2: Process Layout of Pretreatment System

Anaerobic Reactor

The BVF reactor is a field-erected, welded steel tank 137 ft diam by 25 ft high. The reactor is covered by a floating, insulated, flexible geOMEMBRANE cover which is designed to maintain reactor temperature, collect biogas and prevent escape of odors.

Control of odor was a prime consideration because of complaints High's had received while operating the former treatment facilities. Cover material is arranged in folds designed to allow rainwater collection in controlled locations and subsequent removal from the cover. The cover also incorporates access hatches and sampling ports to allow easy access for inspection and monitoring.

The low-rate reactor is complete with all internals including influent/sludge recycle headers; submersible, low-speed mixer; sludge wasting system; and two gas/liquid/solids separators (GLSSs) to further aid in the control of solids leaving the reactor.

Anaerobic effluent passes out of the BVF reactor through the GLSSs. The effluent system is designed to minimize reactor short-circuiting, retain sludge and improve effluent quality. Anaerobic system effluent flows by gravity to the aerobic system for polishing. Final effluent from the treatment plant flows by gravity to the City sewer.

Biogas Equipment

Biogas is generated in the BVF reactor on a continuous basis and collects as it rises to the surface beneath the reactor cover. The cover is constructed to allow biogas to flow to the perimeter collection system. Biogas produced in the reactor is drawn off under vacuum by the PLC-controlled, variable-speed duplex blower system. The biogas blowers compress the biogas for delivery to the boiler and/or flare. Biogas is burned in a multi-fuel boiler to produce steam; excess biogas is flared. In addition to the blower system and new boiler (including boiler control system), the biogas handling facilities include moisture removal equipment (sediment trap and drip traps), safety equipment (ambient gas monitors, biogas analyzer), biogas monitoring equipment (pressure and temperature switches/gauges, flow meter) and other accessories to ensure safe delivery of the biogas to the boiler and/or flare.

The biogas blowers are driven by AC induction motors controlled by variable-frequency drives (VFDs) so that the rate of biogas removal is identical to the gas production rate. In automatic operation only one blower is used at a time; the alternate unit is designated as a standby unit. The duty and standby designations are changed daily (automatically by the PLC) to balance wear on the blowers, motors and drives.

In normal operation, the starting, stopping and speed control of the VFDs is performed by the PLC. The control panel also has a complete set of manual controls for operating each blower. A standby generator set is provided to supply emergency power. This power is limited to supplying the wastewater treatment plant PLC (which in turn supplies the flare control panel) and one of the blowers.

In addition to the wastewater treatment plant control system, a boiler control system is provided with the new 350 hp, high-pressure steam boiler. The boiler control system is
The aerobic system is a packaged, extended-aeration, activated sludge system. The unit consists of an outer steel tank 51.5 ft diam by 24 ft high and an inner steel tank (clarifier) 32 ft diam by 20.5 ft high.

The aeration tank is located in the annular ring between the outer wall and the clarifier wall. Wastewater from the anaerobic reactor enters the aeration basin through a submerged distribution system. Mixed liquor leaves the aeration basin via a trough around the outer perimeter of the clarifier and enters the clarifier section through a pipe at the center.

In the clarifier, activated sludge settles to the bottom of the clarifier where it is scraped to a center collection sump. A sludge return system pumps sludge from the clarifier sump back to mix with the aeration tank influent. A waste sludge pump and piping system is used to waste aerobic sludge (WAS) to the BVF; WAS is only wasted to the BVF reactor. A surface skimmer is used to move floating material and scum to the scum collection box. The collected scum is returned to the aeration basin.

Final effluent flows through a flow box mounted on the side of the aeration tank. A V-notch weir, flowmeter and sampling system are provided for monitoring final effluent prior to discharge to the City sewer by gravity.

BVF Reactor Start-Up

The BVF reactor was initially filled with water from the City water supply system. The basin contents were then heated to 30°C using an in-line shell-and-tube heat exchanger. Approximately 40 m³ of whey were added to the reactor to provide an initial “food” source for the seed sludge. Sodium carbonate (Na₂CO₃) was added to the reactor contents to adjust the pH to 7 prior to seed sludge addition. Seed sludge was obtained from the Frederick municipal wastewater treatment plant anaerobic digesters. Approximately 1900 m³ of sludge (1-2 percent SS) were added to the reactor. The seed sludge was trucked to the site, screened (12 mm bar screen) and pumped to the BVF reactor. Once the BVF reactor was started, raw wastewater feeding began.

The start-up lasted approximately 16 weeks. During the first several weeks of operation, only plant process wastewater (whey excluded) was added to the reactor. Over the remainder of the start-up period whey was gradually introduced until all plant process water and whey was being treated in the reactor. Soda ash and lime were added manually and daily to the influent pumping station to maintain reactor pH of approximately 7; heating of the reactor was done to maintain a temperature of approximately 30°C.

Physical Control of Reactor and Aerobic System

Operation of the BVF reactor is a relatively simple and uncomplicated process. Under normal operating conditions a minimum of operating attention is required.

Plant process wastewater flows by gravity into a wet well for screening and grit removal and then into the raw waste influent pumping station. Whey from the plant flows to the whey storage tank where it is metered to the influent pumping station. The raw waste pumps deliver wastewater to the reactor automatically, via a float control system. The run time of the whey pump is controlled by the PLC. The anaerobic sludge recycle pump and low-speed mixer are automatically controlled by the PLC. The recycle rate and the amount of mixing is adjusted in the field to achieve maximum reactor performance.

In order to maintain the BVF reactor at 30°C (system is presently operating at 26°C), a heat exchanger is utilized. Reactor supernatant is pumped through the heat exchanger. In the heat exchanger, steam is used to raise the temperature of the supernatant. The heated supernatant is then pumped to the influent header where it mixes with raw wastewater and recycled sludge. The supernatant pump is controlled by the PLC; the temperature rise through the heat exchanger is manually controlled.

Anaerobic reactor effluent flows by gravity to the aeration basin and clarifier and then to the City sewer. During normal operations, the aeration blowers (2 @ 75 hp, one is standby) are controlled automatically by the PLC. All aerobic sludge is wasted to the BVF reactor for anaerobic digestion. In normal operation, the starting and stopping of the WAS pump is done by the PLC.

The wastewater treatment plant control system is composed of the following components:
1. Programmable Logic Controller (PLC).
2. Reactor Monitor (RM).
3. Operating Control Devices (OCD).

These components interact as follows:
1. The operating control devices (i.e., START/STOP, HAND/OFF/AUTO switches, push buttons and meters for operating the biogas blowers, mixer, pump, etc.) determine whether equipment is to be manually or automatically controlled.
2. The PLC determines when equipment should be operated in the automatic mode, monitors analog signals, and provides alarm detection and safety interlocking.
The RM monitors the PLC, giving the operator a visual display of the process, and allows the operator to modify operating parameters.

Although the system is highly automated, operation is simple and straightforward and, should the need arise, the entire system can be operated and controlled manually.

An operator was on duty 8 hours per day, 5 days per week; since the reactor has reached maturity (after approximately 12 months), the operator is now only needed for 4-6 hours per day. The operator’s daily routine includes analytical testing, daily sample collection, and minor maintenance.

Performance

Monthly operating data is given in Table III, and a monthly performance summary is presented in Table IV. Since start-up was completed (August 1989), the COD, BOD and SS removals in the BVF reactor have averaged approximately 95, 97 and 85 percent, respectively. Overall average removal of COD, BOD, and SS have typically been 99, 99 and 95 percent, respectively. The average BVF reactor unit loading has been approximately 0.6 kg/m².d, COD basis. Both the flow and the BOD/COD concentrations are below design values at the time of writing. However, the SS concentrations in the raw wastewater are running 4-5 times design values.

TABLE III. High’s Dairy Waste Treatment System - Monthly Data Summary

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percent methane. The volume of biogas used daily is a function of season (demand in the plant). In the summer months, biogas is displacing approximately 40 percent of the fuel required for process steam and 80 percent in the winter.

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The reactor pH is maintained at 6.7 or above; the total alkalinity normally ranges from 1600 to 1800 mg/L, and the volatile acids level is normally in the 400 to 500 mg/L range. Soda ash and lime were added manually at the influent pumping station for pH control; as of February 1990, no chemicals are being used to adjust pH. As well, no chemicals have been added for macro and micro nutrient supplementations.

The operation of the treatment plant has been entirely free of any odor nuisance. Control of odor was a major concern because of odor complaints High’s had received while operating the former treatment plant. All biogas is collected and burned in the boiler or flared without odor. To date, the monthly average biogas production is approximately 3540 m³/d; the mean biogas composition is 65
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Quality Standards for Goat Milk

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Abstract

Regulation of milk quality is based on a single set of milk standards which apply regardless of the source of the milk. During the last decade comparison studies have been done on cow and goat milk. Milk compositional differences were found in factors including somatic cell count, lipid type and content, phosphatase level, freezing point and natural bacterial inhibitor levels. Data from these studies preclude the continued use of a cow milk standard on goat milk. A separate standard for goat milk is essential to recognize the normal composition of this milk and not judge it by bovine standards which apply regardless of the source of the milk. During the last decade comparison studies have been done on cow and goat milk. Milk compositional differences were found in factors including somatic cell count, lipid type and content, phosphatase level, freezing point and natural bacterial inhibitor levels. This would assure the continued production of a supply of goat milk which is both legal and safe from a public health standpoint. The need for these separate standards has been recognized by the National Conference on Interstate Milk Shipment (NCIMS) and by the National Mastitis Council (NMC).

Species differences preclude continued reference of a single set of legal milk quality standards for milk from both cows and goats. Species differences create compositional differences in the milk. Goat milk has a different short chain fatty acid ratio and different vitamin content; a lower alkaline phosphatase content, a lower freezing point; and lacks A_1 casein which is the major casein in cow’s milk. Goats are seasonal breeders, cows are not under present management practices. Seasonal breeding results in seasonal fluctuations in milk qualities such as somatic cell count and fat content. The goat secretory system is apocrine, the cow system is merocrine. Apocrine secretion results in the presence of cytoplasmic particles not present in cow milk which necessitates a different confirmatory somatic cell counting method for goat milk.

Natural components of goat milk interfere with the accuracy of the Antibiotic Residue Test. Several states report 12-15 mm zones common when goat milk is tested by the official Bacillus stearothermophilus test. These are less than action level zones for regulatory agencies however some milk plants have rejected goat milk if any clear zone is present.

The literature suggests the zones are the result of antagonistic action by short chain fatty acids. The short chain fatty acid butyric to lauric fraction constitutes 24.3% of goat milk and 11.7% of cow milk. Lipase activity is more pronounced in that fraction. Goat milk contains considerably elevated levels of C_{10} fatty acids (comparison in weight by per cent in cow milk 1.88 vs. goat milk 10.0). C_{10} fatty acids exhibit bactericidal properties which would effect B. stearothermophilus. Use of the residue confirmation test does not effect the zones of inhibition in the majority of cases since heating to 82°C for 2 minutes does not break down the fatty acid triglycerol complex in milk.

A study done by the Dairy Branch of the Ministry of Agriculture in British Columbia, tested duplicate samples using B. stearothermophilus and B. subtilis on all routine samples for 1 1/2 years. B. subtilis was consistently negative, while B. stearothermophilus was often positive. The conclusion was that the B. subtilis allowed more latitude for the lypolysis factor.

Zones of 16 mm or less in goat milk with the B. stearothermophilus test can be caused by factors inherent in goat milk which can not be controlled. Zones of 16 mm or less should not be considered actionable (cause for rejection) levels in goat milk. Delegates of the NCIMS, at the May 1991 meeting, recognized this problem and voted to allow the Standard Plate Count to be run on goat milk samples with a 14-16 mm zone of other inhibitor (01).

Goat milk bulk tank somatic cell counts show a distinct seasonal variation with the lowest in April and the highest in September through October, reflecting the number of fresh to mid and late lactation does. Counts begin to increase approximately four months after freshening and with the onset of the estrus cycle. Samples from 51 bulk tanks taken in late fall and tested by the Mastitis Laboratory at the University of Connecticut showed 31% in violation of the 1 million standard and 64% in excess of 750,000 cells per ml.

A leucocyte standard of less than 1 million would result in the closure of most goat dairies. The NMC acknowledged this fact in a resolution to NCIMS. At the request of the NCIMS Goat Milk Committee, delegates of the NCIMS meeting voted to allow the somatic cell count in goat milk to remain at 1.0 million. The 1.0 million standard allows more latitude for seasonal variation.

There is a segment of the population which relies solely upon goat milk products for their dairy needs. Public health safety therefore dictates that quality standards be defined which provide a safe product, but at the same time the standards need to be adjusted for the unique composition of goat milk.

Goat milk products must be regulated for safety but must not be regulated out of existence.
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Yogurt Quality

Shelf-Life or Keeping Quality of Yogurt

As discussed in the last article, keeping quality is an important attribute in the marketing of a food product. Keeping quality, as mentioned before, is a microbiological problem; in other words, it is related to the level of sanitation in the plant. If good manufacturing practices are followed, the product will have reasonable shelf-life. Generally, yogurt is expected to have at least 3 - 4 weeks of shelf-life. The microorganisms active in the spoilage of yogurt are different from most other dairy products. Their control, however, is relatively simple. It is so because yogurt as a product has in-built "preservative principles." Yogurt is a relatively stable product because of its high acidity. High lactic acid content inhibits most Gram-negative psychrotrophic microorganisms. Unless there is gross contamination with psychrotrophs, they do not pose serious spoilage problems.

Yogurt is indeed a high acid food. The pH of most market yogurt samples range from a low of 3.6 to a high of 4.2. The titratable acidity is usually between 1.1 - 1.3%. Microorganisms that are generally involved in the spoilage of high acid foods are yeasts and molds. Yeasts are more acid-tolerant than bacteria and molds are even more acid-tolerant than yeasts. Molds can use lactic acid as a source of carbon and energy in their metabolism. When in addition to being quite acid tolerant, yeasts and molds are also psychrotrophic. Hence, their relatively rapid growth and metabolism during refrigerated storage of yogurt affects the keeping quality. So, preventive and control measures should be taken to avoid yeast - mold - related problems.

Sources of Fungal Contamination of Yogurt

The major sources of fungal contamination of yogurt are:

1. Contaminated starters
2. Poorly cleaned fillers
3. Contaminated cups and lids
4. Overall lack of sanitation
5. Contaminated sugar syrups, honey, fruit preparations
6. Air and environment in filler rooms

The foregoing list primarily relates to sanitation and quality control practices in the plant. For this reason, yeast and mold count on finished yogurt is an excellent indicator of sanitation and care exercised in its manufacture - more so than coliform count.

How can one control fungal contamination of yogurt? Some of the basic preventive measures as applicable to the six sources listed above could be discussed here.

Molds grow and use up lactic acid, the pH of acidic foods gradually increases towards neutral side. At near neutral pH, other bacterial contaminants, especially psychrotrophic Gram-negative rods and Bacillus species that were suppressed by the high acidity, grow and predominate. These bacteria have relatively strong protein- and fat-splitting enzymes which bring about a rapid deterioration of the food.

Common defects in yogurt contaminated with yeasts are yeasty and/or fermented (alcoholic) odor and taste and a slight frothing caused by entrapped carbon dioxide. Sometimes pink or off-white colored colonies of yeasts can be seen on the surface of the yogurt in the cup or on the underside of the lid. Yeasts also can grow within the curd mass and cause splitting of the curd or fissures through gas generation.

Unlike yeasts, molds grow only on the surface of yogurt, i.e. in the head-space of the filled cup, because they need air or oxygen for growth. Fuzzy mold colonies are common on the surface and on the underside of the lid. Mold colonies may be white, gray, black or green in color. Yogurt contaminated with mold may show discoloration or liquefaction around the colonies and may have a musty smell and bitter taste. Although mold colonies develop only on the surface of yogurt, their powerful fat- and protein-splitting enzymes seep through the yogurt and cause deteriorative changes.

A. Starters: Check starters for yeasts and molds by:
   a. Organoleptic (taste-smell) evaluation. A musty or yeasty smell is indicative of contamination.
   b. Examining a microscopic smear of the starter for large oval, sometimes budding yeast cells or long filaments of mold mycelia.
   c. Direct plating of 1.0 ml of culture with a suitable agar such as acidified Potato dextrose agar and checking for
fuzzy surface colonies of molds or shiny off-white or pigmented colonies which should be checked microscopically to confirm for the presence of yeasts. If the starters are contaminated, a new batch should be made. Held-over starters should not be used. Starters designed for direct-setting bulk starters or product vats from a reputable starter house should be introduced.

B. Over-all Sanitation: Special care should be exercised in washing and sanitizing all post-fermentation contact surfaces. If CIP is used, apply proper detergent-temperature-time cycles to get the most effective cleaning. Just before running the product through, use an efficient sanitizer like hypochlorite at the proper strength. Rubber parts should be soaked in 5% lye solution to dissolve fat and protein residues, and rinsed in clean water to remove lye residue. Fillers which have intricate parts need special attention.

The choice of a proper sanitizer or an ordered sequential application of different sanitizers has been found to be useful in fungal control. Hypochlorites are excellent sanitizers with a wide spectrum of activity. They are, however, quite corrosive at higher concentrations. Relatively higher concentrations of hypochlorites are required for destroying corrosive at higher concentrations. Additionally, they not very efficacious against fungi and bacteria (2).

C. Quality Control Checks on Flavoring Materials: Proper quality control checks for fungal contamination on sugars, syrups, fruit preserves, nut meats, frozen fruits, honey and any other flavoring used, should be instituted. Proper storage of opened and unopened containers of these substances is also important. Refrigerated storage is helpful. Sanitation of fruit-feeders, mixers and other accessory equipment should also be carefully watched.

D. Cups and Lids: Store and handle cups and lids carefully. Do not use lids that were dropped on the floor. Do not use lids or cups that were stored without proper covering to keep out dust. Dust particles carry mold spores. Cups and lids should be protected against dampness. Moist surfaces allow mold growth. It is advisable to dip any questionable containers and their lids in 50 ppm chlorine solution, drain well and then use them.

E. Quality Control Checks on Contact Surfaces: Check Sanitation of contact surfaces by agar contact plate method or swab method or any other suitable method. The same is applicable to cups and lids. In this case, buffer rinse method will be more suitable. For excellent description of these methods, the reader is referred to the Compendium of Methods for the Microbiological Examination of Foods (1).

F. Air and Environment in the Filling Area: Air in the packing room could be a major source of yeasts and molds. To avoid fungal contamination of yogurt in large operations, it may be worthwhile to install filtered laminar air flow systems (HEPA filter systems) in packaging rooms. In small and medium sized operations, where investment on filtered laminar air flow systems could be considered prohibitive, other practical measures are necessary. Positive air pressure in the packaging room should be ensured so that when doors are opened air flows out but not inwards. The same directional sweep of air should occur through any openings in the walls of the filler room, for example, openings for conveyer belts or pipes leading into or out of the room. Air vents and filters should be periodically disassembled cleaned or replaced.

The walls in the packaging room should be free of cracks, holes or rough surfaces where yeasts and molds can lodge and grow in the moist atmosphere. The walls should be smooth and painted over with a glossy, non-toxic, waterproof industrial grade paint containing an approved mildew inhibitor allowed for use in food plants. Ceramic tiled walls lend themselves to easy cleaning, sanitizing and maintenance. Fogging the filler room with chlorine at the end of every workday also helps. Periodically check yeast and mold count of the environment by exposing poured agar plates at various vantage points for specific time intervals and incubating at appropriate temperature. The use of an Anderson Air Sampler with acidified Potato Dextrose Agar plates will give valuable data on fungal content of air (1).

G. Other Options for Controlling Fungi: Certain antifungal agents are approved for addition to yogurt. The most commonly used agents are salts of sorbic acid. Salts of benzoic acid are also useful in controlling fungi. Because molds are quite aerobic, a tight seal with a plastic film directly in contact with the surface of the product will retard mold growth. A carbon dioxide or nitrogen gas flush of the head-space in the cup also helps to suppress the molds. These measures, however, do not have any effect on yeasts.

A recent paper on the factors affecting keeping quality of yogurt was published by researchers from Canada, and the paper discusses various possibilities available for extending the shelf-life of yogurt (3).

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- Establishing a working liaison among governmental agencies, industry, academic institutions, professional associations and consumer groups concerned with food safety.
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The Conference for Food Protection is a non-profit organization that originated in 1971. The structure of the Conference provides a representative and equitable partnership among regulators, industry, academia, professional organizations and consumers to not merely identify problems and formulate recommendations, but also to develop and implement practices which ensure food safety. New, rapidly developing food technologies and marketing innovations challenge all groups involved in food production and monitoring to work together to enhance the quality of our food supply.

The organization is managed by an Executive Board composed of twenty-two (22) voting members representing Federal, State and local food regulatory agencies, the food industry, academia and consumers.

Issues submitted to the Conference for deliberation are assigned to one of three Councils. Councils are composed of twenty-two (22) members balanced between government and industry interests.

Additionally, various committees are appointed to study particular issues and offer suggestions to the Councils. Councils recommend actions to the Assembly of Delegates.

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Irradiation of Food has the Potential to Improve Human Health

The Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST), a consortium of 29 scientific societies that provides scientific information on agricultural and food science issues, strongly supports the use of irradiation to prevent microbiological contamination of foods.

Activist groups led by the New York-based Food and Water, Inc. are opposing startup of the nation's first commercial food irradiation plant. These groups plan to wage an all out media campaign against Tampa, Florida businessman Sam Whitney and his company, Vindicator of Florida, Inc. The Wall Street Journal (June 26, 1991) reported that Food and Water has "budgeted $30,000 for the Florida campaign and $300,00 for the national campaign," and that Walter Burnstein, head of Food and Water, "acknowledges that the ad campaign is extreme."

"We do this stuff because we're desperate," he says. "We have to use every means we have to stop this technology." CAST believes that consumers should be provided accurate, scientific information concerning irradiation of food and be allowed the option of choosing for themselves.

These arguments against irradiation are based solely on emotion as there is no known scientific evidence indicating that food irradiation, as allowed under current regulations by the Food and Drug Administration, is in any way hazardous to human health. CAST scientists say that there is no confirmed evidence of toxicity, carcinogenicity, mutagenicity, or teratogenicity caused by irradiation of food at prescribed levels of treatment, and the nutritional and taste qualities are not significantly altered. The treated foods do not become radioactive, and no new, hazardous chemical compounds have been found in them. Also, no microbiological hazards in food have been identified as having been introduced by irradiation. These conclusions are embodied in two CAST publications, released in 1986 and 1989, which review the available scientific data. When irradiation is used at substerilizing doses for processing perishable foods such as meat, poultry and seafoods, these foods must be under appropriate refrigeration until ready for consumption, as with any minimally processed food.
The results of more than 35 years of research indicate that the risk associated with proceeding with U.S. Department of Agriculture and Food and Drug Administration authorizations for certain uses of irradiation in food processing is zero. In contrast, there is substantial risk in not proceeding with the authorizations. The risk of not proceeding is the risk of illness or occasional death as a consequence of infection with disease-causing microorganisms or parasites ingested in food. Most of these problems could be eliminated by properly irradiating some foods. Dr. Lester M. Crawford, Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA, speaking to the National Broiler Council, June 10, 1991, suggested as a possible regulatory step a program for encouraging irradiation.

For more information contact Dr. Edward S. Josephson, (401)792-2978 or Dr. Stanley P. Wilson, Executive Vice President, (515)292-2125.

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Tetra Pak's bid to purchase Alfa-Laval has been accepted by Alfa-Laval shareholders with shares corresponding to 98.2 percent of the capital and 98.8 percent of the votes received. Remaining shares will be requested and the bid for those is now being completed.

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**Food Safety and Quality Assurance: Foods of Animal Origin**

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This third edition reflects the decade-long efforts by Drs. Hubbert and Hagstad to remain current on regulatory and industry changes and the needs of teachers and students for whom the text is intended. In that time, the text has advanced from the typewritten paperback editions *Food Quality Control: A Syllabus for Veterinary Students* (1982) and *Food Quality Control: Foods of Animal Origin* (1986) to its current 20 percent expansion in typeset hardback with Dr. Spangler as a contributor and input from an extensive world-wide review panel.

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are presented throughout the text, and each of the three parts concludes with a complete bibliography.

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Once all nominations are received by the nominating committee, two persons will be chosen to run for the office. This is a five-year term, moving up yearly until he or she is President of IAMFES, then serving one year after as Past President. The term of office begins the last day of the 1992 Annual Meeting. All IAMFES Executive Board Members meet three times a year.

Two people selected are placed on the ballot. The winner is determined by majority vote of the membership through a mail vote, in the spring of 1992.

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Bacteria in Baby’s Food

What started out as an attempt by FDA to resolve nutrient discrepancies in infant formula led to an even more significant finding: potentially serious microbial contamination.

As a result, the manufacturer, Nutricia-Loma Linda Foods Inc., voluntarily recalled more than 245,232 liters (63,760 gallons) of I-Soyalac Concentrate Infant Formula, worth an estimated $500,000, and shut down the firm’s California processing plant for an indefinite time.

FDA categorized the recalls as Class I and Class II. Class I means a product is potentially life-threatening. Class II indicates a product is a health hazard but not life-threatening. While no illnesses were definitively traced to the contaminated formula, about 21 complaints of fever, vomiting and diarrhea in infants who had been on the formula were received by the company shortly after the recall was announced.

FDA was first alerted to potential problems at Nutricia-Loma Linda Foods in June 1990, following a routine inspection of the company’s facility in Mount Vernon, Ohio, by FDA’s Cincinnati district office. Although no longer a manufacturing plant, the facility still contained finished products.

Laboratory analyses of samples collected revealed fluctuations in calcium and phosphorus levels—even among samples from the same lot.

To verify the facility’s quality control records (all of which were kept at the company’s processing plant in Riverside, Calif.), the Cincinnati office referred the case to FDA’s Los Angeles district office. That office, in turn, carried out a series of inspections in June and July at the Riverside facility.

While reviewing records to determine the cause of nutrient fluctuations, an investigator noticed that some cans of formula being held by the firm were “swollen,” an obvious sign of bacterial contamination. Some of the swollen cans were almost ready to burst.

Laboratory analysis of the samples showed numerous and varied microorganisms; for example, gram-positive spore-forming rods, motile spores and rods, cocci, and anaerobic gram-positive rods. FDA later concluded that one lot of the product could have been life-threatening to infants.

The source of contamination was never identified. However, an engineer with FDA’s Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, who evaluated the firm’s aseptic operation, speculated that a crack in the pressure chamber of the sterilizing unit may have allowed exterior air—and thus bacteria—to enter the product. Faulty can seams also were suggested as a possible cause.

FDA learned from company records that the firm had earlier found microbial contamination in formula produced on four different days and that outside laboratory analyses identified Clostridium, Bacillus and Streptococcus bacteria. But, although the company destroyed all contaminated lots, FDA found the firm had not adequately investigated to determine the source of contamination.

FDA also faulted the company for failing to:
- notify the agency that it had begun to manufacture infant formula at its Riverside facility
- register with FDA the new processing procedures used for its infant formula (a low-acid canned food)
- provide the agency with written verification for nutrient content and other required information
- revalidate its aseptic processing system’s ability to maintain sterility after portions of the system had been reconfigured.

On July 12, 1990, the company voluntarily recalled 29 lots of its I-Soyalac formula after finding that its entire June 28 production had begun to swell. It sent telegrams to its 70 distributors and issued a press release.

The recalled products, as well as those being held at the California plant, were destroyed.

At the same time, the company chose to close down its California plant and, in early September, began production at its Ohio facility, which had been renovated and upgraded with new equipment and personnel to comply with federal law. The Cincinnati district office is monitoring the facility as part of FDA’s infant formula inspection program.

The California plant, now under new management, remains shut down. Following FDA’s inspections, company owners had indicated to FDA that the processing equipment would be removed and that if production were restarted, a more reliable sterilization system would be used.

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Importation of Cholera from Peru

On April 9, 1991, a U.S. physician attending a conference in Lima, Peru, had onset of diarrhea. He reported a maximum of eight watery stools in 24 hours and experienced no other symptoms except moderate weakness. The diarrhea lasted 5 days. After arriving in Peru on April 5, he had eaten all his meals, including a cold crab meat appetizer 2 days before onset of illness, in his hotel or at events catered solely for the conference participants. He also consumed ice and municipal water that the hotel reported had been purified.

Culture of a stool sample obtained on April 11, after his return to the United States, yielded toxin-producing Vibrio cholerae O1, serotype Inaba, biotype El Tor. His family did not accompany him to Peru and has remained well.
Editorial Note: An epidemic of cholera is occurring in Peru, Ecuador, and Colombia, and there is potential for spread to other countries. Although the risk for cholera is small for U.S. residents traveling in cholera-infected areas, some U.S. travelers nonetheless may become infected. The best protection is provided by scrupulous adherence to recommendations to prevent traveler's diarrhea: particularly, raw seafood and potentially contaminated water should be avoided. Optimally, travelers should drink only water that they have treated (e.g., by adding iodine or boiling) themselves. In addition, ice, which may be made from contaminated water, should be avoided. Commercially bottled water has transmitted cholera, but carbonated bottled water has a low pH and permits only brief survival of V. cholerae O1.

Most V. cholerae O1 infections cause no symptoms or only mild to moderate diarrhea, but in a small proportion of cases the illness can be life-threatening. Travelers who develop severe watery diarrhea or diarrhea and vomiting during or following travel to an area with known cholera should seek medical attention immediately. Treatment of cholera with proper oral and, if indicated, intravenous rehydration is simple and highly effective.

The risk for secondary transmission of cholera in the United States is extremely small.

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In accordance with the United States Department of Agriculture policy for regulatory review, the Dairy Standardization Branch conducted a review of the United States Standards for Grades of Dry Sweetcream Buttermilk and the Department's Specification for Dry Buttermilk Product. The objective of the review was to obtain both current and historical information relating to an industry proposal to revise the current standards for dry sweetcream buttermilk and to formalize quality grade standards for dry buttermilk product.

The review involved the collection and evaluation of information from the Department's Dairy Grading Branch and representatives of the American Dairy Products Institute. It was determined that the current definition for dry buttermilk requires that the liquid buttermilk be derived from the churning of butter made entirely from sweet cream. Buttermilk derived from the churning of butter which contains cream from sources other than sweet cream are specifically excluded in the USDA grade standards. Current industry practices, however, utilize cream from a variety of sources in the manufacture of butter. These sources include cream separated from whole milk, cream separated from whey, which is a co-product of the cheese making process, and cultured cream, which encourages the proliferation of lactic-acid-producing bacteria to provide a cultured flavor in butter. Buttermilk obtained from these sources may be further processed into dry buttermilk and dry buttermilk product.

The final rule provides a broader definition of dry buttermilk, changes the nomenclature of dry sweetcream buttermilk to dry buttermilk, and expands the scope of the standards to incorporate quality criteria for dry buttermilk product eligible for USDA grading service. The primary property which differentiates the value and usability of dry buttermilk and dry buttermilk product is the protein content. The final rule establishes a minimum protein content for dry buttermilk. To achieve this minimum, the dry buttermilk must be obtained from a cream source which has a composition sufficiently high in protein to meet the minimum requirement.

The final rule also incorporates quality criteria for dry buttermilk product. Dry buttermilk product is considered to be a commodity of lesser economic value and may be obtained from a cream source which has a variable protein content. The resulting dry product will not meet the minimum protein content for dry buttermilk.

Corollary changes are also provided in part 58, subpart B, entitled General Specifications for Dairy Plants Approved for USDA Inspection and Grading Service, to conform the definitions of dry buttermilk and dry buttermilk product set forth therein with the United States Standards for Grades of Dry Buttermilk and Dry Buttermilk Product. Federal Register/Vol. 56, No. 142/Wednesday, July 24, 1991/Rules and Regulations.
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Charm Sciences Inc. Introduces New 3-Minute Charm Transit Test

Reducing antibiotic testing time from 15 or even 8 minutes down to 3 minutes can save hundreds of thousands of dollars a year, according to Humboldt Creamery in Fortuna, California.

Given the task of finding a 3-minute test, Chris Christensen, Quality Assurance Manager at Humboldt, learned that none existed. Christensen then determined that modifying the existing Charm II Test, so that it could be begun on the road by the hauler and completed at the dairy receiving bay, would meet this time constraint. In response to Christensen's innovative vision, Charm Sciences developed the new Charm Transit Test.

The Charm Transit Test includes the following specially-designed features:
1. Eliminates costs of labor associated with testing
2. Allows hauler to unload in only 3 minutes
3. Adds onto Charm II System with little additional equipment required
4. Is accurate and quantitative
5. Allows for multiple antimicrobial drug testing

Reagents for the Charm Transit test are in tablet form, eliminating waste. Total reagent costs are approximately $2.30 per load. Equipment cost is minimal.

Charm Sciences, Inc. - Malden, MA

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Atkins 618 Series Digital Thermometer Replaces Bimetal and Bulb and Capillary Thermometers

A built-in digital thermometer with thermocouple sensors and "2 inch size" diameter housing has been developed by Atkins Technical to replace bimetals and bulb and capillaries with easy-to-read digital numerals. The new instrument, named the 618 series, is resistant to vibration and ambient temperature swings and allows remote temperature monitoring.

Available in °F or °C versions, the new 618 has a range of -100° to +1000°, giving the widest temperature ranges, at the lowest cost, of any thermocouple built-in instrument on the market today. The extended range allows the use of one instrument for a broad variety of applications.

Standard features include remote 120-volt power, immunity to industrial noise, impact-resistant gasketed ABS plastic instrument housing, and 1/4 inch National Pipe Thread for connection to a pipe or conduit. An easy-to-read liquid crystal display (LCD) is used. The 618 digital instrument can be used with any ANSI standard type "K" thermocouple probe including over 150 thermocouple designs Atkins currently manufactures.

The 618 is based on the Atkins Technical dual slope integration linearizing technique which allows a minimum of parts while giving excellent accuracy and ambient range. The design replaces the 2 inch round bimetal and bulb and capillary thermometers found in most food service and processing applications.

The price of the 618 instrument is $89.00. Quantity discounts are available. Housing for panel, wall or stem mounting are standard.

Atkins Technical Inc. - Gainesville, FL

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Hand and Nail Brush For Food Service

Sparta Brush Company has just introduced a new Hand and Nail Brush to eliminate cross contamination of food.

Sanitarians and health officials agree that improper hand washing is the number one cause of food borne illness. Bacteria is easily transferred by human hands to many different foods throughout a facility. To help prevent this, food service workers should scrub hands many times each day with hot, soapy water, but that doesn't complete the job. Dirt, bacteria and other contaminants trapped beneath fingernails and cuticles must be removed, and the new Sparta Hand and Nail Brush is designed to do that.

The No. 900 Hand and Nail Brush was developed through extensive research and testing. The brush is part of Sparta's continuing product development and efforts to improve food service sanitation.

The exclusive ergonomically designed 5" x 2" polypropylene handle is durable, yet comfortable and easy to grip when wet. The brush will also float in sanitizing solution.

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New Breakthrough in Summer and Winter Ventilation

At the Plant Engineering show in Chicago, TechMaster Inc. introduced the SeasonMaster Air Direction Controller (Pat. Pend.), that allows the air flow direction from the EnergyMaster make-up air ducts to be easily changed between the cold weather upward position and the warm weather downward position. This is accomplished with a simple adjustment on the unit that takes only seconds and is easily made from the floor level; rather than manually rotating the duct 180 degrees at a high labor cost.

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Anderson Pulse 400 Series finds use in receiving, inventory and in production tracking and control. Liquid level is displayed with ± 0.5% accuracy over the full span regardless of the shape of the tank. Thus, the Pulse 400 Series can be used to accurately monitor liquid level, not only in linear-shaped vessels such as perfectly cylindrical, flat-bottom vertical tanks, but also in tanks with dished or cone bottoms, and in pitched horizontal cylindrical vessels having dished heads. The highest degree of accuracy is obtainable by "wet" calibrating vessels on site with the monitor. This service is provided by Anderson field-service engineers upon request.

The monitor's operator interface -- a user-friendly 24-key keypad -- enables the operator to program changes in process parameters under two different levels of security. With the display box in the locked position, there are two programmable functions available to the operator.

Engineering units can be changed from weight to volume and back to weight. And specific gravity values can be modified as required.

A typical example of how these functions can be implemented is the capability to monitor the amount (in the same tank) of pasteurized whole milk on one day, light cream on another day, and high-brix orange juice concentrate on a third day, all with the same high level of accuracy.

With access through the programming keypad the operator has the flexibility of displaying and changing various other parameters: span (the value in weight or volume from sensor to the top of the tank) and the amount of product below the sensor. The operator can also program and display any one of the four setpoints for each channel (at any given time, the alphanumeric display shows the four most recently-tripped alarm setpoints), and can indicate the type of tank being used. A dual-function key can be used as a minus sign when programming negative parameters or as an alarm-acknowledgment command.

 Sensors used with the PULSE-400 incorporate pressure transducers and electronic circuitry to convert static head pressure into proportional 4-20 mA output signals which are interfaced with the monitor. The sensors, which comply with 3-A sanitary standards, are compensated for changes in process and ambient temperature and can be cleaned in place to temperatures up to 250 degrees F. Construction is all stainless steel: housing, which accept 1/2-inch electrical conduit, are made of Type 304 SS, and the electropolished product-contact surfaces are fabricated of Type 316L SS for superior corrosion resistance. All sensors are provided with easily-accessible, non-interactive zero and span adjustments to facilitate fine tuning in their field.

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New NIR Analyzer Range

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FOSS FOOD TECHNOLOGY has exclusive distribution rights for the Dairy, Food and Beverage Industries throughout North America and will provide full sales, service and applications support through its regional network in the United States and Canada.

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Spraying Systems' Fluid Line Accessories Catalog 10 may be the only spray nozzle accessories resource guide that many companies use. Spraying Systems Co. manufactures more than 19,000 different types of spray nozzles and accessories for hundreds of industrial applications.

Babson Bros. Introduces Innovative Teat Dip

Consept™, a pre plus post antiseptic teat dip or spray containing the new germicide, AMBICIN N™, is now exclusively available from Babson Bros. Co., makers of Surge dairy equipment and sanitation products.

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It has the rapid action essential for pre-dipping applications and the broad spectrum activity that is important for both pre and post-milking teat dipping. Consept is extremely safe, with all of its ingredients classified as Generally Recognized As Safe (GRAS) by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).

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Sanitary design applies not only to the inside of a facility but to the outside as well. Proper sanitary design of exterior plant areas reduces the risk of in-plant contamination.

The outside areas of a food processing facility are of major importance to overall plant sanitation and to conveying the impression of a sanitary facility to regulatory inspectors, the public and employees. A plant with neat, uncluttered grounds and attractive landscaping creates a positive first impression. The receiving yard is an often neglected exterior area. This area, especially in fruit and vegetable processing plants, becomes covered with dirt, debris, water and spilled product. If the area is not designed to be cleanable and cleaned on a regular schedule geared to production levels, infestation by insects, rodents and mold quickly becomes a major problem and a potential source of in-plant contamination.

Other food processing facilities requiring receiving yards for ingredients, packaging and major components of the products being processed pose similar hazards. Regardless of the types of processing taking place in the facility, the receiving and shipping areas require good drainage, access for cleaning and cleaning on a regular schedule. Rodent and insect control is as important in this area as it is inside the plant.

Some recommendations for receiving yards include:

- Paving them with concrete to prevent rodents from chewing through and burrowing beneath them. Rodents will chew through asphalt.
- Providing adequate drainage and sloping the pavement towards the drains. The size and number of drains should be designed to accommodate the rainfall that occurs in that particular area. The drains should be provided with catch baskets to prevent any solid debris carried on incoming products, vehicles, or any other source from entering the waste water system.
- Providing one or more hose stations to wash down the area when necessary.
- Placing bait stations around the outside of the receiving yard and around the outside perimeter of the buildings as a first line of defense against rodent infestation.

Lighting

The type of lighting used in the external areas of the plant has a major effect on insect attraction. Many older plants have outside lights directly over the doorways used for receiving, shipping, or personnel. The lights are usually the incandescent type that emit relatively high levels of ultraviolet radiation. Ultraviolet radiation attracts insects since the rays indicate warmth. Lights in the immediate plant vicinity should be placed on standards approximately thirty feet from the building with the light directed toward the building and doorways. The lights should be rated as low UV emitters, like high pressure sodium lights. Low pressure sodium lights are also low UV emitters but can cause significant color distortion. Mercury vapor and metal halide lights give off relatively high amounts of UV radiation and should be placed away from the plant buildings. By placing these lights around parking lots or at the entrance gate, they will act as an insect attractant and reduce the insect pressure on the processing buildings or warehouse. All lights should be adequately shielded with a nonbreakable transparent material to prevent possible injury to employees in the event a lamp breaks.

Roof Construction

Roof construction will, to a large degree, depend on the overall plant construction. If precast concrete wall panels are selected, the roof type could very easily be precast double tee. As was pointed out in the second article, precast double tee construction using the Pocket Beam Construction method results in a cosmetically attractive facility that eliminates many overhead flat ledges which are unacceptable from a sanitary standpoint.

Traditionally, roofs have been pitch and gravel type. Pitch and gravel roofs should not be located over process areas as they are impossible to clean. Dry materials like flour, starch, grain or other products are carried out by the vents and attract birds and insects, while promoting the growth of weeds and being the source of odors caused by bacteria, yeast or mold development. Pitch and gravel roofs, if used, should be confined to warehouses, machine shops and other nonprocess areas. Be sure to check the fire code in the area for any specific regulations pertaining to roof construction.

Smooth membrane-type roofs are recommended over processing areas so they can be swept, hosed off and kept clean with minimal effort. This is especially important if there is the possibility of product spillover on the roof.

Roof openings for exhaust fans, air handling systems, etc., should be sealed, flashed and screened or, if applicable, filtered to prevent the entry of outside contaminants such as water, insects, off odors, dust and microbes.
Roof opening caps and roof mounted air handling units should be insulated with sandwich panel insulation. Open insulation is difficult to clean and frequently becomes infested with insects.

**Windows and Other Openings**

The most sanitary food processing plant will not have any windows. The plant will have environmental control and adequate lighting so windows are not necessary. In addition to being a sanitation hazard due to breakage, windows and frames require continual maintenance to keep them clean, caulked and in good repair.

Windows that cannot be opened are the next best alternative. These should be made from unbreakable polycarbonate material. Unopenable windows let in the necessary light but keep out dust, odors, debris and insects. Another alternative is windows that can be opened but have permanent screens preventing the entry of insects. A major problem with screened windows is that sections of screen will be cut out to "let in more air." For that reason this alternative is not recommended. If openable windows are already in place they can be secured provided there is adequate air handling in the facility. A routine inspection and screen maintenance program must be in place and enforced if the windows cannot be secured shut.

When windows are included in plant design, the placement of the window in the wall is a sanitary design consideration. The recommended and preferred placement is to have the window flush with the inside wall so there is no sill on the inside to catch debris, dirt, etc. The sill on the outside should be sloped at a 60 degree angle to prevent birds from roosting and debris such as leaves, dust, etc., from collecting.

The second best design for windows is to place them flush with the outside wall and slope the inside sill at a 60 degree angle. The placement of the window in the center is not recommended since it is virtually impossible to maintain an adequate seal if both the outside and inside sills are sloped. It is also more expensive to attempt to slope both sills.

When deciding whether or not to include windows, consult the local fire codes as some municipalities require windows. However, even if windows are required or already in place, by keeping the idea of sanitation in mind, acceptable sanitary conditions can be established.

**Doors**

Unless one has the ideal (but impractical) plant - a stainless steel box with no openings, covered wall/floor junctures, rounded corners and a full CIP system - there must be openings to allow ingress and egress of personnel, ingredients, supplies, utilities and finished product. Doors of any kind offer a potential entry point for undesirable intruders (rodents, birds, insects, dust, and other airborne contaminants).

When placing access doors, consideration should be given to the prevailing wind pattern at the site. If the dock or freight doors are to be continually in use and frequently open, they should be located on the lee side of the facility. In addition, the doors should be equipped with the rapid open/close type rollup doors. The rollup chamber should be designed to be as tight as possible to minimize insect infestation and breeding sites.

The exterior of the doors should be equipped with air curtains. To be effective, air curtains must be correctly designed for the job they are expected to do. They can be extremely effective in keeping flying insects, airborne dust and debris from entering the plant. The air curtains should extend completely across the opening and the air should have a down and out sweep. There should be no "dead" spots close to the door frames and the air velocity should be a minimum of sixteen hundred feet per minute measured three feet from the floor. In addition, air curtain motors should be wired directly into the door opening switch so the instant the door starts to open, the air is turned on and cannot be shut off until the door is fully closed. Manual shutoffs can be provided, but they should be key controlled by a supervisor.

**Outside Pest Control**

Outside pest control is the food processors first line of defense against in-plant infestation.

Previously described criteria summarized below will help keep the rodent problem to a minimum.

- Plant bushes and trees at least thirty feet from the buildings.
- Good drainage prevents standing water.
- Place pea gravel strips thirty inches wide between the outer walls and lawns or non-paved areas.
- Place bait boxes along the outer walls of the building.
- Maintain grounds that are uncluttered and keep the weeds and grass cut.
- Store all unused equipment in a manner consistent with part 110 21CFR Food and Drug Regulations.
- Provide lighting systems as previously described that reduces the attractiveness to insects.
- Keep the grounds (rail sidings, truck doors, receiving yards) free of spilled product to reduce the attraction for rodents, insects, and birds.
- Wall penetrations must be sealed the same day and not left overnight.
- Use sixteen degree sloped ledges to discourage bird roosting and nesting.
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TAMFES Annual Meeting Report

The 9th annual meeting of the Texas Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians was held June 11 and 12, 1991 at the Howard Johnson South Plaza Hotel in Austin, Texas.

Over 295 persons registered for the meeting. Special guests that attended the meeting were Mr. Inda Aurto of Mexico and Mr. Steven Halstead of IAMFES.

A "standing room only crowd" attended the laboratory session presided over by Mr. Joe Bare, Texas Department of Health. Other speakers and their topics were: Mr. J. Russell (Rusty) Bishop, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University "Determination of Antibiotic Residue in Milk and Dairy Products"; Ms. Sherry Clay, Texas Department of Health, "Focus on Safety in the Laboratory"; Mr. Joseph Bare, Texas Department of Health, "Basics of Milk Analysis, a Procedural Overview"; and Mr. John Cowan, Associated Milk Producers, Inc. "Visual Aids for Laboratory Techniques and Procedures."

A golf tournament was held at the Woodcreek Golf Course with over 78 attendees taking part.

Nick Fohn, incoming president of TAMFES, gave the opening remarks for the Tuesday afternoon general session. Plaques were awarded to Dr. Ranzell Nickelson and Dr. Al Wagoner for outstanding service to the Texas Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians.

Featured speakers for the session were: Mr. Al Place, New York, Department of Agriculture "I.M.S. Update"; Mr. Jerome "Jerry" Kozak, International Dairy Foods Association, "New Food Labeling Laws-Its Impact on the Food Industry"; Dr. J. Russell (Rusty) Bishop, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, "Consequences of Animal Drug Residues"; and Mr. Don Kinser, Dean Foods, "Energy Conservation."

On Wednesday morning session speakers and their topics were: Dr. Roy Carawan, North Carolina State University, "Pollution Prevention Pays"; Mr. Michael Coleman, Neotronics of North America, "Confined Space Entry"; Mr. Stephen Gardner, Attorney General's Office, "Health Fraud in Food Labeling"; and Mr. Jordi Castells, Trade Commission of Mexico, "Marketing Texas Manufactured Food Products in Mexico."

On Tuesday night a barbecue and country western dance was held for attendees at the Manchaca volunteer Fire Department. TAMFES extends its thanks for the sustaining members for their generous contributions for the hospitality suite.

A business meeting followed the adjournment of the meeting. Following persons were elected as officers: President - Nick Fohn; President elect - Linda Ybarra; 1st Vice President - Kent Roach; Treasurer - Dr. Ron Richter; Secretary - Janie Park and Kenneth Seaman, Past President.
Illinois Affiliate Fall Conference
October 15, 1991

The Annual Meeting and Fall Conference is planned for Tuesday, October 15th. Charles Price, Senior milk specialist with the FDA, is the program chairman. The conference will begin in the morning and end in the afternoon. It will include the noon meal at which time the annual meeting will take place and newly elected officers will be announced. IAMFES members, dairy and food industry and health professionals are encouraged to attend this educational seminar. More details will be provided in the IAMFES News Letter. To be sure you are on the mailing list, or for further information contact: Robert A. Crombie, Secretary, IAMFES, 521 Cowles, Joliet, IL 60435, (815)726-1683 (Voice & FAX).
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- The BST Debate: Biotechnology and the Dairy Case - (13 minute videotape). Provides retail grocers with an overview of bovine somatotropin or BST...a biotechnology product now being used to enhance the efficiency of milk production in cows. This video report focuses on how BST fits into the overall biotechnology picture, what possibilities it is likely to present at the retail level, and offers some specific tactics retailers can use in addressing questions shoppers may have on BST. (Monsanto Agricultural Company)

- Babcock Method for Determination of Butterfat in Raw Milk - A videotape report that describes the purposes, procedures and refinements of The Babcock Method for determining fat content in raw milk. Revised test procedures are presented which will result in greater accuracy and reproducibility. Viewing is recommended by anyone in public health or the dairy industry who uses the Babcock test. (Grunk Film & Video Production, Inc.)

- The Bulk Milk Hauler: Protocol & Procedures - (8 minute videotape). Teaches bulk milk haulers how they contribute to quality milk production. Special emphasis is given to the hauler's role in proper milk sampling, sample care procedures, and understanding test results. (Iowa State University Extension)

- Causes of Milkfat Test Variations and Depressions - (140 slides-tape-script-30 minutes). This set illustrates the many factors involved in causing milkfat test variations or depressions in your herd, including feeding, management, stage of lactation, age of samples, handling of samples, and testing procedures. The script was reviewed by field staff, nutritionists, laboratory personnel and county extension staff. It is directed to farmers, youth and allied industry. (Penn State-1982)

- Controlling Volumes and Fat Losses - (110 slides-tape-script-30 minutes). Keeping milk volume and product loss from farm to supermarket of fluid dairy products is discussed. This set was done with the cooperation of the dairy industry who reviewed the script and provided opportunities to take pictures. It is designed to be used by milk plants for processing personnel, regulatory representatives, field staff and milk haulers. (Penn State-1982)

- Ether Extraction Method for Determination of Raw Milk - (26 minute video). Describes the ether extraction procedure to measure milkfat in dairy products. Included is an explanation of the chemical reagents used in each step of the process. (CA-1990)

- The Farm Bulk Milk Hauler - (135 slides-tape-script-30 minutes). This set covers the complete procedure for sampling and collecting milk from farms. Each step is shown as it starts with the hauler entering the farm lane and ends when he leaves the milk house. Emphasis is on universal sampling and automated testing. Funds to develop this set were provided by The Federal Order #36 Milk Market Administrator. (Penn State-1982)

- Frozen Dairy Products - (27 minute videotape). Developed by the California Department of Food and Agriculture. Although it mentions the importance of frozen desserts, safety and checking ingredients; emphasis is on what to look for in a plant inspection. Everything from receiving, through processing and cleaning and sanitizing is outlined, concluded with a quality control program. Directed to plant workers and supervisors, it shows you what should be done. (CA-1987)

- The Gerber Butterfat Test - (7 minute video). Describes the Gerber milkfat test procedure for dairy products and compares it to the Babcock test procedure. (CA-1990)

- High-Temperature, Short-Time Pasteurizer - (59 minute videotape). Provided by the Dairy Division of Borden, Inc. It was developed to train pasteurizer operators and is well done. There are seven sections with the first covering the twelve components of a pasteurizer and the purpose and operation of each. The tape provides the opportunity for discussion after each section or continuous running of the videotape. Flow diagrams, processing and cleaning are covered. (Borden, Inc., 59-min-1980)

- The How and Why of Dairy Farm Inspections - (110 slides-tape-script-15 minutes). This was developed at the request of seven northeast dairy cooperatives and with their financial support. Emphasis is on clean cows, facilities and equipment and following proper procedures. Regulatory agencies cooperated in reviewing the script and taking pictures. This was developed for farmers, youth and allied industry. (Penn State-1984)

- Milk Plant Sanitation: Chemical Solution - (13 minute video). This explains the proper procedure required of laboratory or plant personnel when performing chemical titration in a dairy plant. Five major titration are reviewed ...alkaline wash, presence of chlorine and iodophor, and caustic wash and an acid wash in a HTST system. Emphasis is also placed on record keeping and employee safety.

- Milk Processing Plant Inspection Procedures - (15 minute videotape). Developed by the California Department of Food and Agriculture. It covers pre and post inspection meeting with management, but emphasis is on inspection of all manual and cleaned in place equipment in the receiving, processing and filling rooms. CIP systems are checked along with recording charts and employee locker and restrooms. Recommended for showing to plant workers and supervisors. (CA-1986)

- Processing Fluid Milk - (140 slides-script-tape-30 minutes). It was developed to train processing plant personnel on preventing food poisoning and spoilage bacteria in fluid dairy products. Emphasis is on processing procedures to meet federal regulations and standards. Processing procedures, pasteurization times and temperatures, purposes of equipment, composition standards, and cleaning and sanitizing are covered. Primary emphasis is on facilities such as drains and floors, and filling equipment to prevent post-pasteurization contamination with spoilage or food poisoning bacteria. It was reviewed by many industry plant operators and regulatory agents and is directed to plant workers and management. (Penn State-1987)

- Producing Milk of Good Quality and Flavor - (114 slides-script-tape-25 minutes). The steps and corrective measures necessary to produce quality milk with good flavor are outlined. It is directed at dairy farmers, field staff, milk haulers and youth. (Penn State-1982)

- Safe Milk Hauling - You're the Key - (34 minute videotape). Recommended for anyone who samples, measures and collects milk from dairy farms. The purpose of this tape is to acquaint milk handlers with the proper procedures for sampling and picking up milk at the farm and delivering it safely to the handling plant. This tape provides an excellent review for experienced milk haulers and shows step-by-step procedures for novice milk haulers. (Cornell University)

- Tests for Milk Quality and Composition - (140 slides-tape-script-25 minutes). This set shows and describes in simple terms the various quality tests performed on milk samples. These include bacteria, antibodies, freezing point, pesticides, somatic cells, flavor and others. The purpose, desirable results, and ways to improve poor results are outlined. It was developed for farmers, youth, field staff and allied industry. (Penn State, 1983)

FOOD

- BISSC - A Sign of Our Times - (50 slides-script-tape). The presentation was prepared by the Baking Industry Sanitary Standards Committee. The purpose of BISSC, formed in 1949 by six of the national organizations serving the baking industry, is to develop and publish voluntary standards for the design and construction of bakery equipment. These Standards are now recognized as the definitive sanitation standards for equipment used in the baking industry.
Q Close Encounters of the Bird Kind - (18 minute videotape). A humorous but in-depth look at Salmonella bacteria, their sources, and their role in foodborne disease. A modern poultry processing plant is visited, and the primary processing steps and equipment are examined. Potential sources of Salmonella contamination are identified at the different stages of production along with the control techniques that are employed to insure safe poultry products. (Topok Products, Inc.)

Q The Danger Zone - (30 minute videotape). Teaches deli department employees about food safety and sanitation and how they may help build deli customer traffic. Recommended for retail employees who sell products in the deli department, as well as brokers, distributors and manufacturers who sell their products in the deli department. The tape is accompanied by printed material that serves as excellent training supplements. (The International Dairy-Deli Association)

Q Food Irradiation - (30 minutes). Introduces viewers to food irradiation as a new preservation technique. Illustrates how food irradiation can be used to prevent spoilage by microbiorganisms, destruction by insects, overripening, and to reduce the need for chemical food additives. The food irradiation process is explained and benefits of the process are highlighted. (Turnelle Productions, Inc.)

Q Food Quality, Food Safety, and You! - (80 slides, script, and cassette tape). This is an educational program designed for consumers. The presentation deals with the role of the consumer in maintaining the freshness, quality and safety of food in the home. It is intended for use by home economists, dieticians, cooperative extension agents and others interested in food quality and safety. (Cornell University)

Q Food Safe - Series I - (4-10 minute videos). Details food service workers the procedures for performing sight inspections for the general conditions of food, including a discussion of food labeling and government approval stamps. "Foodservice Facilities and Equipment", outlines the requirements for the proper cleaning and sanitizing of equipment used in food preparation areas. Describes the type of materials, design, and proper maintenance of this equipment. (3) "Microbiology for Foodservice Workers", provides a basic understanding of the microorganisms which cause food spoilage and foodborne illness. This program describes bacteria, viruses, protozoa, and parasites and the conditions which support their growth. (4) "Foodservice Housekeeping and Pest Control", emphasizes cleanliness as the basis for all pest control. Viewers learn the habits and life cycles of flies, cockroaches, rats, and mice. (Perennial Education).

Q Food Safe - Series II - (4-10 minute videos). Presents case histories of foodborne disease involving (1) Staphylococcus aureus, (saucy) (2) Salmonella, (eggs) (3) Campylobacter, and (4) Escherichia coli. Each tape demonstrates errors in preparation, holding, or serving food; describes the consequences of these actions; reviews the procedures to reveal the cause of the illness; and illustrates the correct practices in a step-by-step demonstration. These are excellent tapes to use in conjunction with hazard analysis critical control point training programs. (Perennial Education).

Q Food Safe - Series III - (4-10 minute videos). More case histories of foodborne disease. This set includes (1) Hepatitis A, (2) Staphylococcus Aureus (meats), (3) Bacillus Cereus, and (4) Salmonella (meat). Viewers will learn typical errors in the preparation, holding and serving of food. Also included are examples of correct procedures which will reduce the risk of food contamination. (Perennial Education).

Q Food Safety Is No Mystery - (34 minute videotape). This is an excellent training visual for food service workers. It shows the proper ways to prepare, handle, store and serve food in actual restaurant, school and hospital situations. A policeman sick from food poisoning, a health department sanitarian, and a food service worker all with the bad habits are featured. The latest recommendations on personal hygiene, temperatures, cross contamination, and storage of foods are included. (USDA-1987)

Q Food Safety: For Goodness Sake, Keep Food Safe - (15 minute videotape). Teaches food handlers the fundamentals of safe food handling. The tape features the key elements of cleanliness and sanitation, including: good personal hygiene, maintaining proper food product temperature, preventing time abuse, and potential sources of food contamination. (Iowa State University Extension)

Q Is What You Order What You Get? Seafood Integrity - (18 minute videotape). Teaches seafood department employees about seafood safety and how they can help insure the integrity of seafood sold by retail food markets. Key points of interest are cross-contamination control, methods and criteria for receiving seafood and determining product quality, and knowing how to identify fish and seafood when unapproved substitutions have been made. (The Food Marketing Institute)

Q Northern Delight - From Canada to the World - A promotional video that explores the wide variety of foods and beverages produced by the Canadian food industry. General in nature, this tape presents an overview of Canada's food industry and its contribution to the world's food supply. (Turnelle Production, Ltd.)

Q On the Front Line - (18 minute video). A training video pertaining to sanitation fundamentals for vending service personnel. Standard cleaning and serving procedures for cold food, hot beverage and cup drink vending machines are presented. The video emphasizes specific cleaning and serving practices which are important to food and beverage vending operations. (National Automatic Merchandising Association)

Q On the Line - (30 minute VHS videocassette). This was developed by the Food Processors Institute for training food processing plant employees. It creates an awareness of quality control and regulations. Emphasis is on personal hygiene, equipment cleanliness and good housekeeping in a food plant. It is recommended for showing to both new and experienced workers.

Q 100 Degrees of Doom ... The Time and Temperature Caper - (14 minute videotape). Video portraying a private eye tracking down the cause of a salmonella poisoning. Temperature control is emphasized as a key factor in preventing foodborne illness. (Educational Communications, Inc.)

Q Pest Control in Seafood Processing Plants - (26 minute videotape). Videotape which covers procedures to control flies, roaches, mice, rats and other common pests associated with food processing operations. The tape will familiarize plant personnel with the basic characteristics of these pests and the potential hazards associated with their presence in food operations.

Q Product Safety and Shelf Life - (40 minute videotape). Developed by Borden Inc., this videotape was done in three sections with opportunity for review. Emphasis is on providing consumers with good products. One section covers off-flavors, another product problems caused by plant conditions, and a third the need to keep products cold and fresh. Procedures to assure this are outlined, as shown in a plant. Well done and directed to plant workers and supervisors. (Borden-1987)

Q Safe Handwashing - (15 minute videotape). Twenty-five percent of all foodborne illnesses are traced to improper handwashing. The problem is not just that handwashing is not done, the problem is that it's not done properly. This training video demonstrates the "double wash" technique developed by Dr. O. Peter Snyder of the Hospitality Institute for Technology and Management. Dr. Snyder demonstrates the procedure while reinforcing the microbiological reasons for keeping hands clean. (Hospitality Institute for Technology and Management).

Q Sanitation for Seafood Processing Personnel - A training video suited for professional food handlers working in any type of food manufacturing plant. The film highlights Good Manufacturing Practices and their role in assuring food safety. The professional food handler is introduced to a variety of sanitation topics including: 1) food handlers as a source of food contamination, 2) personal hygiene as a means of preventing food contamination, 3) approved food storage techniques including safe storage temperatures, 4) sources of cross contamination, 5) contamination of food by insects and rodents, 6) garbage handling and pest control, and 7) design and location of equipment and physical facilities to facilitate cleaning.

Q Sanitizing for Safety - (17 minute video). Provides an introduction to basic food safety for professional food handlers. A training pamphlet and quiz accompany the tape. Although produced by a chemical supplier, the tape contains minimal commercialism and may be a valuable tool for training new employees in the food industry. (Indiana-1990)
Seafood Q & A - (20 minute VHS). Anyone who handles seafood, from processor to distributor to retail and foodservice, must be prepared to answer questions posed by customers. This tape features a renowned nutritionist and experts from the Food & Drug Administration, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and the National Fisheries Institute who answer a full range of questions about seafood safety. Excellent to educate and train employees about seafood safety & nutrition. (National Fisheries Institute).

Wide World of Food Service Brushes - An 18 minute video tape that discusses the importance of cleaning and sanitizing as a means to prevent and control foodborne illness. Special emphasis is given to proper cleaning and sanitizing procedures and the importance of having properly designed and constructed equipment (brushes) for food preparation and equipment cleaning operations.

Your Health in Our Hands - Our Health in Yours - (8 minute videocassette). For professional food handlers, the tape covers the do's and don'ts of food handling as they relate to personal hygiene, temperature control, safe storage and proper sanitation. (Jupiter Video Production)

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The ABC's of Clean - A Handwashing & Cleanliness Program for Early Childhood Programs - For early childhood program employees. This tape illustrates how proper handwashing and clean hands can contribute to the infection control program in daycare centers and other early childhood programs. (The Soap & Detergent Ass'n.)

Acceptable Risks? - (16 minute VHS). Accidents, deliberate misinformation, and the rapid proliferation of nuclear power plants have created increased fears of improper nuclear waste disposal, accidents during the transportation of waste, and the release of radioactive effluents from plants. The program shows the occurrence of statistically anomalous leukemia clusters; governmental testing of marine organisms and how they absorb radiation; charts the kinds and amounts of natural and man-made radiation to which man is subject; and suggests there is no easy solution to balancing our fears to nuclear power and our need for it. (Films for the Humanities & Sciences, Inc.).

Air Pollution: Indoor - (26 minute VHS). Indoor air pollution is in many ways a self-induced problem ... which makes it no easier to solve. Painting and other home improvements have introduced pollutants, thermal insulation and other energy-saving and water-proofing devices have trapped the pollutants inside. The result is that air pollution inside a modern home can be worse than inside a chemical plant. (Films for the Humanities & Sciences, Inc.).

Asbestos Awareness - (20 minute videocassette). This videocassette discusses the major types of asbestos and their current and past uses. Emphasis is given to the health risks associated with asbestos exposure and approved asbestos removal and abatement techniques (Industrial Training, Inc.).

Down in the Dumps - (26 minute VHS). Garbage is no laughing matter. The fact is that we are running out of space to dump the vast amounts of waste we create each day. Since many of the former methods of disposal are environmentally unacceptable, what are we to do? The program examines the technological approaches to the garbage dilemma, including composting, resource recovery, and high-tech incinerators, and public reaction to the creation of new waste treatment facilities. (Films for the Humanities & Sciences, Inc.).

EPA Test Methods for Freshwater Effluent Toxicity Tests (using Ceriodaphnia) - (22 minute tape). Demonstrates the Ceriodaphnia 7-Day Survival and Reproduction Toxicity Test and how it is used to monitor and evaluate effluents for their toxicity to biota and their impact on receiving waters and the establishment of NPDES permit limitations for toxicity. The tape covers the general procedures for the test including how it is set up, started, monitored, renewed and terminated.

EPA Test Methods for Freshwater Effluent Toxicity Tests (using Fathead Minnow Larva) - (15 minute tape). A training tape that teaches environmental professionals about the Fathead Minnow Larval Survival and Growth Toxicity Test. The method described is found in an EPA document entitled, "Short Term Methods for Estimating the Chronic Toxicity of Effluents & Receiving Waters to Freshwater Organisms." The tape demonstrates how fathead minnow toxicity tests can be used to monitor and evaluate effluents for their toxicity to biota and their impact on receiving waters and the establishment of NPDES permit limitations for toxicity.

Fit to Drink - (20 minute VHS). This program traces the water cycle, beginning with the collection of rain water in rivers and lakes, in great detail through a water treatment plant, to some of the places where water is used, and finally back into the atmosphere. Treatment of the water begins with the use of chlorine to destroy organisms; the water is then filtered through various sedimentation tanks to remove solid matter. Other treatments employ ozone, which oxidizes contaminants and makes them easier to remove; hydrated lime, which reduces the acidity of the water; sulfur dioxide, which removes any excess chlorine; and flocculation, a process in which aluminum sulfate causes small particles to clump together and precipitate out. Throughout various stages of purification, the water is continuously tested for smell, taste, turbidity, and by fish. The treatment plant also monitors less common contaminants with the use of up-to-date techniques like flame spectrometers and gas liquefaction. (Films for the Humanities & Sciences, Inc.).

Kentucky Public Swimming Pool and Bathing Facilities - (38 minute videotape). It was developed by the Lincoln Trail District Health Department in Kentucky and includes all of their state regulations which may be different from other states, provinces and countries. It was very well done and could be used to train those responsible for operating pools and waterfront bath facilities. All aspects are included of which we are aware, including checking water conditions and filtration methods. (1987).

Putting Aside Pesticides - (26 minute VHS). This program probes the long-term effects of pesticides and explores alternative pest-control efforts; biological pesticides, genetically-engineered microbes that kill objectionable insects, the use of natural insect predators, and the cross-breeding and genetic engineering of new plant strains that produce their own anti-pest toxins. (Films for the Humanities & Sciences, Inc.).

Radon - (26 minute VHS). This program looks at the possible health implications of radon pollution, methods homeowners can use to detect radon gas in their homes, and what can be done to minimize hazards once they are found.

RCRA - Hazardous Waste - (19 minute video). This videotape explains the dangers associated with hazardous chemical handling and discusses the major hazardous waste handling requirements presented in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. (Industrial Training, Inc.).

The New Superfund: What It Is & How It Works - A six-hour national video conference sponsored by the EPA. Target audience includes the general public, private industry, emergency responders and public interest groups. The series features six videotapes that review and highlight the following topics:

- Tape 1 - Changes in the Remedial Process: Clean-up Standards and State Involvement Requirements - (62 minute videotape). A general overview of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 and the challenges of its implementation. The remedy process -- long-term and permanent clean-up -- is illustrated step-by-step, with emphasis on the new mandatory clean-up schedules, preliminary site assessment, petition procedures and the hazard ranking system/National Priority List revisions. The major role of state and local government involvement and responsibility is stressed.

- Tape 2 - Changes in the Removal Process: Removal and Additional Program Requirements - (48 minute videotape). The removal process is a short term action and usually an immediate response to accidents, fires and illegally dumped hazardous substances. This program explains the changes that expand removal authority and require procedures consistent with the goals of remedial action. Who is responsible for SARA clean-up costs? Principles of responsible party liability; the difference between strict, joint and several liability; and the issue of the innocent landowner are discussed. Superfund enforcement tools - mixed funding, De Minimis settlements and the new nonbinding preliminary allocations of responsibility (NBARs) are explained.
Another addition to SARA is the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund. One half of the U.S. population depends on ground water for drinking -- and EPA estimates that as many as 200,000 underground storage tanks are corroding and leaking into our ground water. This program discusses how the LUST Trust Fund will be used by EPA and the states in responding quickly to contain and clean-up LUST releases. Also covered is state enforcement and action requirements, and owner/operator responsibility.

A major pan of SARA is a free-standing act known as Title III: The Emergency Preparedness and Community Right-To-Know Act of 1986, requiring federal, state, and local governments and industry to work together in developing local emergency preparedness/response plans. This program discusses local emergency planning committee requirements, emergency notification procedures, and specifications on community right-to-know reporting requirements, such as using OSHA Material Safety Data Sheets, the emergency & hazardous chemical inventory and the toxic chemical release inventory.

An important new mandate of the new Superfund is the technical provisions for research and development to create more permanent methods in handling and disposing of hazardous wastes and managing hazardous substances. This segment discusses the SITE (Superfund Innovative Technology Evaluation) program, the University Hazardous Substance Research Centers, hazardous substance health research and the DOD research, development and demonstration management of DOD wastes.

Waste Not: Reducing Hazardous Waste - (35 minute VHS). This tape looks at the progress and promise of efforts to reduce the generation of hazardous waste at the source. In a series of company profiles, it shows activities and programs within industry to minimize hazardous waste in the production process. Waste Not also looks at the obstacles to waste reduction, both within and outside of industry, and considers how society might further encourage the adoption of pollution prevention, rather than pollution control, as the primary approach to the problems posed by hazardous waste. (Umbrella films).

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- 1-4, Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors Annual Conference. For further information contact John Foruna, Public Health Inspector at Hamilton-Wentworth Regional Department of Public Health Services, P. O. Box 897, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, L8N 3P6; (416)546-3570 or FAX (416)521-8093.

- 2-4, South Dakota Environmental Health Association will hold its Annual Meeting at the Howard Johnson Hotel, Rapid City, SD. For more information call Dave Micklos, SD State Department of Health, (605)773-3364.

- 2-5, National Society for Healthcare Foodservice Management's Third National Conference will be held at the Washington Court Hotel on Capitol Hill, Washington, DC. For more information call or write the National Society for Healthcare Foodservice Management, 204 E. Street, NE, Washington, DC 20002; (202)546-7236.

- 2, National Automatic Merchandising Association's Pre-Convention Early Education Sessions, Chicago, IL. For further information contact NAMA Convention Department at (312)346-0370.

- 3-5, National Automatic Merchandising Association's National Convention, Trade Show and Education Sessions for Vending/Foodservice Management, will be held at the McCormick Place, Chicago, IL. For further information contact NAMA Convention Department at (312)346-0370.

- 6-9, Annual Meeting and Convention: Milk Industry Foundation and International Ice Cream Association will be held at the Marriott River Center, San Antonio, TX. For more information contact the International Dairy Foods Association, 888 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006; (202)296-4250.

- 6-9, The 1991 National Frozen Food Convention and Exposition, sponsored by The National Frozen Food Association and the American Frozen Food Institute, will be held in Orlando, FL. For more information contact the National Frozen Food Association, 4755 Linglestown Road, Suite 300, Harrisburg, PA 17112, (717)657-8601, or the American Frozen Food Institute, 1764 Old Meadow Lane, Suite 350, McLean, VA 22102, (703)821-0770.

- 7-8, The Tenth Annual Midwest Food Processing Conference will be held at the Radisson Hotel in LaCrosse, Wisconsin. For further information contact Kris Nelson, MFPC Publicity Chairperson, Minnesota Grain Pearlizing Company, P.O. Box 545, Cannon Falls, MN 55009, (507)263-3325.

- 8-10, Advanced Sanitation & Quality Assurance Managers' Workshop, sponsored by the American Institute of Baking, will be held in Manhattan, Kansas. For more information call AIB at (913)537-4750 or (800)633-5137.


- 16-17, Iowa Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians, Inc. 50th Anniversary Annual Meeting will be held at the Ramada Inn, Waterloo, IA. For more information contact Dale Cooper (312)927-3212.

- 16-17, Annual Conference of the North Central Cheese Industries Association will be held at the Earle Brown Center, University of Minnesota, St. Paul. For further information contact E. A. Zottola, Executive Secretary, NCCIA, P. O. Box 8113, St. Paul, MN 55108.

- 16-17, Cheese Symposium: California Dairy Foods Research Center Annual Conference will be held at the University of California, Davis, CA. For more information please contact Bob Pearl/Sharun Munowitch, University Extension, University of California, Davis, CA 95616 or call (916)757-8899.


- 26-30, Food & Dairy Expo 91, sponsored by Dairy & Food Industries Supply Association, to be held at the McCormick Place, Chicago. For more information contact DFISA, 6245 Executive Boulevard, Rockville, MD 20852-3938 (301)984-1444.

- 29-30, Dairy Food Processors' Symposium will be held at the Palmer House, Chicago, IL. For more information contact the International Dairy Foods Association, 888 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006; (202)296-4250.

- 30-Nov. 2, National Fisheries Institute 46th Annual Convention will be held at the New Orleans Marriott, New Orleans, LA. Contact the NFI at (703)524-8881 for more information.

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- 4-7, The Science of Ice Cream Manufacturing, sponsored by the University of California, will be held at the Food Science and Technology Department, Crues Hall, UC Davis Campus. For further information contact James Lapsley, Program Director, University of California, Davis, CA 95616-8398; (916)757-8692.

- 6, Food Industry Sanitation and Food Safety Workshop, presented by the University of California Cooperative Extension, will be held at the Anaheim Plaza Resort Hotel, 1700 S. Harbor Blvd., Anaheim, CA. For more information contact Heidi Fisher, Food Science and Technology, University of California, Davis, CA 95616; (916)752-1478.
- **6-9,** The Fundamentals of Selling & Merchandising will be held at the Holiday Inn, Chicago, IL. For more information contact the International Dairy Foods Association, 888 Sixteenth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20006; (202)296-4250.

- **7-8,** Consumer Focus - The '90's, San Francisco, CA. Contact: Phillip Olivetti, NFPA, Claims Dept., 1401 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20005; (202)639-5946.

- **11-14,** Industrial Refrigeration Workshop West, sponsored by the University of California, will be held at the Food Science and Technology Department, Cruess Hall, UC Davis Campus. For further information contact James Lapsley, Program Director, University of California, Davis, CA 95616-8598; (916)757-8692.

- **12,** Warehouse Sanitation, sponsored by the American Institute of Baking, will be held at the Industry Hills Sheraton Resort, One Industry Hills Parkway, City of Industry, CA. For more information call AIB at (913)537-4750 or (800)633-5137.

- **13-14,** Alabama Association of Dairy & Milk Sanitarians Annual Meeting will be held in Birmingham, AL. For more information call or write Tom McCaskey, Department of Dairy Science, Auburn University, Auburn, AL 36849; (205)844-1518.

- **15-17,** National Automatic Merchandising Association Financial Management Seminar will be held at the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel, Las Vegas, NV. For further information contact NAMA Convention Department at (312)346-0370.

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