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DEAR GODBROTHERS,

Please accept our prostrated obeisances at your lotus feet. All Glories to our illustrious Spiritual Master, Jagat Guru, Srila Prabhupada!

This week has been really hectic as the Brijbasins are engaging in all-out service, getting New Vrindaban ready for the most auspicious presence of a pure devotee of Krishna, His Divine Grace Srila Prabhupada.

The Spirit would like to make the point that, although we are all engaged in preparing the outward appearance of the community for Srila Prabhupada's arrival, we must even more so develop the proper consciousness to receive such a great personality. We have to realize just how important Srila Prabhupada is to us and the world, and how dear he is to Krishna. We must develop to the utmost the qualities of surrender and humbleness and cultivate the greatest appreciation and love for our Spiritual Master. Then we will truly be ready to receive Srila Prabhupada.

Your servants,
the editors

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DEAR SWAMI

Question: How should one act in the presence of a pure devotee like Srila Prabhupada? --Worried

Dear Worried,

In the presence of a pure devotee one should always feel himself a fool but this does not mean that he should act like one. Be as respectful and attentive as possible and pray for his blessings upon you.

Actually you should always feel the presence of Srila Prabhupada even if he is on the other side of the Earth.

-- Swami

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WONDERFUL YOGHURT

Abhinanda das started Friday making yoghurt. The milk is pasteurized at 12:00. After it cools (about 1:00) the yoghurt culture is introduced. If you add powdered milk, it really thickens it, but it's also relatively expensive.

You don't want to speculate on the temperature. A thermometer is good to have to gauge the temperature (the milk should be between 98 and 105 degrees F when the yoghurt culture is added). To have the fermentation process work properly, it should be kept at that temperature for 3 - 4 hours. Then place the yoghurt overnight in the tunnel. It's nice to have it as cold as possible.

"Yoghurt is really first class," says Abhinanda. "It wakes you up in the morning, has lots of protein, and is good to have in hot weather."

In order to make it, there must be a regular supply of yoghurt culture--either store bought or we could keep our own cultures if we had a storage place that was no more than 40 degrees F.

Abhinanda further comments, "Making yoghurt is like a scientific experiment." He went on to say how it all depends on such variable factors as climate, quantity of yoghurt, the quality of the yoghurt culture, and the ability to keep a regulated temperature. Certainly the experiment was a success for lunch prasadam Saturday at Bahulaban!

Some ideas on different things to do with the yogurt were discussed. The yoghurt is very nice slightly sour and unsweetened. Fruit is superb in yoghurt. Many things grown in New Vrindaban could be added, such as raspberries, blackberries, apples, all sorts of wild things, etc. Actually any fruit or vegetable can be used to enhance the flavor of yoghurt. Honey is super nice. There is a recipe in which the milk is first cooked down and then the yoghurt culture is added. Fruit and sugar can be added. It's called Misty Dahi and is a nice custard-like yoghurt. Mmmm...

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PRABHUPADA'S HOUSE

A lot has been happening at the house where Srila Prabhupada will be staying when he comes here. The crew of Cirantana das, Dharmatma das, Murari Gupta das, and Mothers Lakhima, Gomati, and Vajeryasvari have been working on His Divine Grace's quarters with all enthusiasm. The whole house has been painted. The inside and eaves were painted white and the guest reception room, located in the basement, was painted yellow. The floors are in the process of being finished up with an edger sander, then they will be re-varnished and stained. Also, new tiles are being put in the bathroom.

On the side, a number of calves are being kept on the property and they are all doing very nicely under the expert care of Mother Lakhima.

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HIS HOLINESS KIRTANANANDA SWAMI RETURNS FROM THE WEST COAST

On Thursday, July 11, Kirtanananda Swami flew in from San Francisco to the delight of all the Brijbasis. He was very happy to see all of the devotees working so hard on different projects and immediately began inspecting each project one by one to see how they were coming along. The devotees are all very glad that he came back to give them some strong, blissful inspiration to work twice as hard. He said that Srila Prabhupada will come on Tuesday to bless us with his ecstatic association. We must make sure everything is completely prepared nicely for him. There will be a GBC meeting, therefore there is reason to believe that many devotees will show up when Prabhupada comes so everyone must cooperate nicely so that we can get as much done as possible and keep everything going nice and smooth during this auspicious occasion. Jai! All Glories to the appearance of Srila Prabhupada!

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ESCAPE IN THE WOODS

Friday morning I went to Madvan with the idea of cutting wood for Devata Das. We got started ok but about 10:30 Bima the ox got an idea "I think i'll run and play in the woods today instead of pull logs." With that Maya in mind off he went. He pulled the rope from Devada's hands and began to run. Devata and I worked till noon then went back to the temple. We found Bima in the pasture at noon. Paramananda das told me latter that he saw a run-away ox run through his garden in the morning, with a harness and chains dragging behind him. He couldn't figure it out.

After lunch Bhavashat came over from Vrindaban to help me. Bima began to act up again so we decided to put his neck rope through his nose ring this time. But when Bhavashat reached for his nose ring he took off knocking Bhavashat over but I managed to grab his rope as he ran by me. Somehow or other I hung on flying through the air behind Bima and the log. Very quickly I came to my feet howering Whooo. By the hand of Krishna only, who I was thinking of at the moment as trees were flying by, he stopped. Very much surprised by this I turned around to see how Bhavashat was. He was crawling off the ground half knocked out. All he said was, how did you do it? I said, Krishna is always helping his devoties. It's a fact. No one else can help you at the time of death or any other time except Krishna, Radha Vrndavana Candra. We did manage to gather about one month worth of wood for Madavan which is looking very nice now with it's new gardens and flowers. Hoping Their Lordships are enjoying the prasadam cooked on wood.

PAINTING MARATHON!

This week was quite exciting. We did everything but cut wood. Early in the week I finished putting in the prasadam room floor then wednesday at 8 pm I started working on

painting the prasadam room. We first scraped off all the green paint that was put on two days before by Sudanu das. They put water base on oil base without sanding it first. After working all night and the next day just to get off the old paint we started sanding and putting on the base coat. Klaudry das told me wednesday night that it had to be finished by Thursday night, So the paint would have time to dry so the wallpaper could be put up. From wednesday evening for the next 49 hours I worked in the prasadam room only coming out twice to eat. By Thursday night 11 pm it was done. So was I.

Your servant,
Romharsan das

(Both articles printed as written by Romharsan das.)

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STANDARD EMERGENCY OPERATING PROCEDURE

Call the police as soon as possible. One senior trainee immediately take up the shotgun in the temple room and one junior trainee accompany him. Two senior trainees post themselves on Kirtanananda Swami & Paramhansa Swami. At least one senior trainee posts himself on the front porch or courtyard. One senior trainee secures the weapons from the CP. Everyone should remain on the floor of the first floor of whatever building they happen to be in. The senior trainee should see to it that a radio transmission goes out to the other farms and the same trainee should see to the proper distribution of guns and fire extinguishers. As much as possible all unarmed devotees should be herded into the protection of armed devotees. The senior trainee should order an assault team to swing into anti-offensive offensive action. At the end of the emergency the all-clear signal should be given.

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DEITY SERVICE AND COOKING

The Bahulaban kitchen has finally been moved to Ananda dham, which also houses the hemispheric cooker, connected to a 500 gallon tank of propane gas. The hemispheric cooker will be relocated. Currently there are two wood burning stoves being used in the kitchen, and the possibility of adding a third one for devotee prasadam is being considered. The other two would be used strictly for Deity prasadam. For the summer one whole side wall of Ananda dham will be screened so as to reduce the heat factor.

Milk products are soon going to be really big. It's been stated that by the time all the calves grow up the new barn will be obsolete. Currently we are separating only 5 gallons of cream daily in the morning. Within a short time we'll have 2 separators and 3 girls working on it. Kirtanananda Swami was saying how there is so much milk being produced and from the milk cream is separated and from the cream comes butter and from the butter comes ghee so there will be many wonderful things produced from Krishna's cows. We are making cheese to sell and Srila Prabhupada says we can make rasagulla from cheese. When Krishna sees us use the milk in so many wonderful ways he'll provide thousands of more cows! And Kirtanananda Maharaj just beamed!

Srila Prabhupada has said he's going to show Kirtanananda Maharaj how to make rasagulla and Kirtanananda Swami will also be cooking for Srila Prabhupada. Ecstasy!

The room where the old kitchen was located will be converted into a guest reception room with display cabinets, etc. and it will also be used as a Deity storage room.

Srila Prabhupada's Vyasasana is being gorgeously redone in brilliantly-jewelled cloth.

Srila Prabhupada has just recently said that we have raja vidya, the king of knowledge. Now we are going to have raja seva, or the king of worship. We'll worship the Deity very, very opulently. Just as an example, for the noon offering the Deity will have 5 different rice preparations and 5 different vegetable preparation along with so many other milk sweets, savories, etc. This opulent temple worship will begin at the Krishna - Balarama temple in Vrndavana, India, where such worship will be wonderfully displayed for all to see. Thus this raja seva will spread to all the ISKCON temples and Krishna will be most pleased. All Glories to Srila Prabhupada!

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MADHUBAN

Sidewalks have been poured in front and on one side of the Madhuban temple so that devotees don't track in mud, etc. when they enter into the temple. Around the well a slanting, walled-in floor has been built with a drain on one side.

Jagat-trata das and Sudanu das built two outhouses. Jitavrata das and Gostavihari das are building brick footers to set the outhouses on. They are so situated that a horse team can easily get right next to the bottom of the footer and carry the waste away, which will be stored in big steel drums. This will be possible because the footers are built on the edge of a small cliff like formation and a hill sort of runs into it so the horses can get at the base of the footers without difficulty. This eliminates the process of having to transfer the waste with small buckets.

Krpacarya das painted the house white with green trim and Madhukara das is building flower beds all around the temple.

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LEADERSHIP CRISIS

bhakta
dennis

The people of the world are finally coming to the realization that there is a leadership crisis. The global situation is vastly deteriorating in this regard. Since 1973, the governments of all 9 Common Market European nations have changed hands amid scandals and military coups. Many of the so-called government structures are shaky coalitions or run by vulnerable minority groups. The democratic nations are rapidly deteriorating in a shambles of conflicting interests and thus the road to communist takeover is being royally paved.

The karmis are trying to rationalize all kinds of reasons for the apparent lack of bona fide leadership in present society. Such reasons include (1) sweeping institutional changes, (2) the leaders are increasingly "naked and vulnerable" and are subject to the devastating scrutiny of newspaper, magazine and television coverage, etc., (3) the leaders get over exposed by the mass media and the public gets tired of them quickly (sic), (4) too much 'talent' is being channeled into other areas such as education, private enterprise, the arts and such like, along with many other haphazard reasons. Obviously, the source of the problem is not being perceived.

As devotees of the Lord, we know the knowledge of our spiritual master of why there are no qualified leaders. It is because the so-called leaders are all engaged purely for their self-interest, both personal and extended. Hardly any of them have any control of their senses and so cannot be trusted. So-called human society has become so degraded throughout the world that qualified administrators (ksatriyas) are not being trained, simply men with lower-than-sudra qualities.

But the 'intellectuals' can't grasp this. They wander around with only hazy conceptions of "honesty in

government", "integrity of leadership", etc. with no concrete knowledge about what these concepts really mean.

Right now a recent Harris poll disclosed the fact that fully 59% of the American people are dissatisfied with the country. No one seems to realize, though, that no amount of charisma (translated sex appeal) and vying with special interest groups on the part of the leaders is going to lessen the anxieties of the people.

TIME Magazine included a long article on this subject, entitled In Quest of Leadership, and devoted a large part of it to the idea of where leaders come from. The article presented a number of concocted ideas about how situations such as historical crisis produce them, how the culture must produce a great man every generation to maintain its position, how great leaders are simply a matter of divine intervention but only giving forth materialistic-based motives, etc. All these ideas contain a little bit of truth (the remaining leg of Dharma) but they don't realize that the whole social system of varnasrama dharma must be inaugurated in human society for the purpose of realizing the Absolute Truth and as such dispell the ignorance, deciet, illusion and all manner of irreligious principles and anxieties from the face of the earth. TIME's article indicates a genuine search by concerned people for a means to quell the worsening global situation, and how we must take up that responsibility of showing them the right path.

In an insert on women gaining political power, one woman legislator, Francis (Sissy) Farenthold, summed up the whole situation perfectly.

"...Just look at how many incumbents are incompetent and unqualified." Only half in jest, she adds: "I am working for the time when unqualified blacks, browns and women join the unqualified men in running our Government. Such is the reason why society is swiftly plunging towards hell."

TALES FROM THE GARDEN

Right after transplanting the last few hundred cabbage plants, it turned really hot for several days. We carried water and put mulch around each plant, but most of the leaves dried up and withered away. There is still some green in the stems, though, and they might pull through yet. Some planting of beets, rutabegas, rhu-barb, chard and bush beans (known also as green beans, snap beans or string beans) was also carried out. As usual, the main portion of the energy went to weed control. Seems we just go through all the gardens and by that time its already overgrown where we started. Hopefully, we can scrounge up some more mulch somehow or other, as this would cut down on the space requiring cultivation. A sufficiently thick mulch, besides controlling weeds, is valuable to Krishna's vegetables because it provides a more stable environment for them. By covering the ground and conserving moisture otherwise lost to evaporation, the plants are given a more even source of essential water, rather than the now wet, now dry condition of a bare soil. Mulch also keeps a more even temperature in the soil, rather than hot during the day and cold at night. Actually, it can even equal out extended temperature changes such as over several days. A thick mulch will prevent a lot of frost damage in the fall and extend the growing season by a couple of weeks or more on many crops.

The Mexican bean beetle showed up in full force this week, and several plants were skeletonized. We responded by handpicking and squashing them by the thousands. They should take higher births next life as Krishna book was read aloud throughout the job.

Harvesting became more general this week with continued head lettuce, Swiss chard and broccoli, the wax and bush beans coming into full production, beets reaching full size and the beginning of the zucchini, hot yellow

peppers, and early cabbage. The gardens are now producing enough to supply the normal needs of New Vrindaban. By Janmastami, when tomatoes will be in production, the gardens should be producing enough to supply even the requirements of a big influx of guests.

Any surpluses that can't be stored in pits this year will be dried for winter use. Bhakta Terry will be building drying racks as soon as he finishes the new improved composting facilities (more about that next week). Anybody with any practical experience drying vegetables is humbly asked to be so kind as to share your knowledge with us and in this way help put New Vrindaban one more step along the path to self-sufficiency.

All Glories to Srila Prabhupada's New Vrindaban visit!

-- Bhakta Mark

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IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

Anybody who needs gasoline must get a signed slip from Parambrahma das or Kuladri das and submit it to Mother Vidya before getting any gas. No exceptions! -- No slip, no gas.

Anybody who needs to use a vehicle must get a signed slip from either Kuladri or Paramhansa Swami, or Kirtanananda Swami. Only approach a swami if Kuladri das is not around. Then you take the signed slip to Mother Vidya and she'll give you the key for the vehicle. No exceptions! -- No slip, no key.

Slips to be signed for gas and vehicles will be kept on top of the Guard supply box in the green house, in between the sink and the door to the prasadam room. Please take one and fill it out before going to anyone for his signature.

Please cooperate to help regulate the use of gasoline and vehicles in New Vrindaban so that none of Krishna's energy is wasted. Jai.

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TWO SECTIONS FROM AN AS YET

UNTITLED WORK

by Vahna das Adhikary

I have no gift to present, I am fallen. I have no mood to share, I have no belief but that for the moment you are so far away that that distance alone is testament to your potency. Despite the failures, the compromises, the regrets I present in prayer like a bouquet of knives the offering remains perfect. Your pleasure cannot be limited by my ignorance, your enjoyment cannot be interrupted by my thievery. Your lust is a measure of this separation, as it increases the journey increases, the journey the length of the journey and the goal have become one in the same. With your eyes upon me the world has become a sight worth seeing, because you are listening we were meant to cry. Because you are sleeping, I am sleeping but can I now please awake and greet the beginning of your day. Every gesture is a measure of this agony, I want TO MAKE YOU LAUGH. My foolishness must be surrendered for this purpose. Though I cover my eyes with temporary desires like thick clumsy fingers...still you are there to dance upon the tongue.

This night is irretrievable, I am not concerned with the coming of compassion but lie well within this allowance. There are so many breaths, so many opportunities to pray and to blaspheme. I must choose at every moment to escape, for my freedom has a sex. Have you, who are deathless, seen to my punishment well before my choice? What if I choose to serve you, what will become of this punishment? Are my calculations also written in blood or can I know and

desire a permanent laughter. You make me burn but I cannot sing, I cannot demonstrate a cause but I am nevertheless waiting to be measured. If I am to become enjoyable to you then I must first worship that joy, for you cannot conceive of yourself, and I cannot conceive of you. The night cannot be spoken, but the prayer must be spoken and spoken well... there is no other reason to breathe than to pray. And you are the source, the medium and the goal of that prayer and the night, the ignorance which again is my mother will not surrender her trivial dominion. I have fallen in order to be reclaimed...by you alone am I done. By your mercy alone I can or cannot see the light of day. By your mercy alone I can or cannot share a beautiful thing, by your mercy alone I can or cannot understand the murdering of time. By your mercy alone I can decide to remain illusioned or come to you. By your mercy alone I can or cannot pretend, by your mercy alone I can or cannot borrow some identity. By your mercy alone I can or cannot know your mercy alone, alone I must remain by your mercy alone I am a prisoner or a king a wretch or a Servant of your Lotus Feet. By your mercy alone I desire some evil circumstance, by your mercy alone I am borrowed by a condition and consumed by a desire. By your mercy alone I can see that the world is about to begin, that the day is about to begin, that the beginning is very near.

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FIELDS

Please accept my worthless obeisances prabhus. All Glories to Sri Guru deva, Srila Prabhupada, who will soon benedict us rascals with his refreshing lotus smile. Like Lord Caitanya, Prabhupada is spreading this Krishna consciousness everywhere and soon everyone will be immersed in this inundation of love of Godhead, irregardless of color, creed or country. Srila Prabhupada is teaching us to become expert at injecting the sterile karmis with the nectar tonic of the Holy Name. On Samkirtan we are constantly harassed by "maya's pigs" as Prabhupada calls them. So we are always praying for new and better ways of distributing Prabhupada's books to them. Last Tuesday 'til Sunday the Brijbasi book distributors went to a soccer game, two rock concerts, a major league baseball game and, believe it or not, an all-night drive-in theatre. All in all 1100 Back to Godheads, 85 hard Krishna Books and 2400 New Vrindaban brochures were distributed and a record (for us) of \$2867.00 was liberated from the karmis. Top donation was \$81.00 received by Mother Mahara who is proving to be very expert at freeing Srimati Laksmi from the clutch of the rascals. Mother Jagaddhatri distributed 15 hard Krishna Books one day amid police chases.

For all our wonderful godbrothers and godsisters who stay behind we humbly implore you to continue your wonderful service, without which this book Samkirtan would have no meaning. Distributing these books is like planting seeds but the seeds need proper surroundings to fructify. So when the karmis who have the books come to New Vrindaban the seeds will fructify into love of Sri Sri Radha Vrndavana Candra, without a doubt. Hari bol!

-- Dharmatma das

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For most of the week, one team was continually engaged at Talaban in an attempt to cultivate the cornfields there. The work proceeded very slowly because, having started the job far too late, the weeds had taken over to the point that they clogged the cultivator continuously, making progress very slow and frustrating. Also, both cultivators broke. At Bahulaban, one hayfield was cut and brought in as well as a lot of hauling junk, lumber and equipment, manure, etc. to clean up the farm before Srila Prabhupada arrives.

Meanwhile, the tractor and binder were used to harvest the wheat behind the horsebarn. At Madhuban, the first two acres of oats were brought in and stacked. Repair work was rather heavy this week, including cultivators and the mower.

-- Kasyapa das

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BLACKSMITHING

Our Vaisnava work horses Molly and Sylvia were shod by Paramananda das this week.

Kasyapa das was put back into the field with a renovated cultivator repaired by Krpacarya das, but it got broke again Friday so it's back in Krpacarya's repair shop. Also repaired was the blue wagon.

Krpacarya took a few days off from his regular duties to help bring Madhuban up to Bahulaban's standards by painting and gardening; not to mention rat and fly extermination.

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SPIRITUAL SKY

Recently Spiritual Sky has undergone a few changes in the Public Relations dept. Spiritual Sky is now putting on a "front". That is, our sales representatives are growing their hair out and wearing karmi clothes. They are telling the karmi businesses that, although Spiritual Sky was formed by dedicated Krishna conscious 'monks', because it has expanded so much, it has been put in the hands of professionals. Devotee salesmen tell the businesses that a large part of the profits go to the Krishna conscious society's drug rehabilitation, school financing, food distribution, spiritual realization, etc. programs and they (the salesmen) are very happy working for Spiritual Sky and helping in the noble endeavor. This new approach increases business sales and expansion. As Vipina Purandara das, New Vrindaban's Spiritual Sky sales representative put it, "If an average-looking person walks into a store, the persons there will at least listen to him and not automatically refuse. But if a devotee with shaved head, ponytail and robes goes into a business, especially straight businesses like drug stores, etc., the owners might freak out and that allows for the possibility of an immediate rejection before a presentation and no sales for Krishna." Vipina opened 20 new accounts since inaugurating this new approach. Some new presentation materials also helped.

Vipina das and Narada Muni das are now known as the League and Rader Company, distributors of Spiritual Sky products. Vipina das (League) takes care of accounts in Virginia, Ohio and West Virginia and Narada Muni das (Rader), who is being trained up as a Spiritual Sky salesman (Vipina says he's doing great) is taking care of the Indiana and Kentucky accounts. They are using a tried and true technique of prasadam distribution to help increase sales. They are sending expertly made chaw samples (called

fudge for the karmis) to their accounts and they'll carry more samples on the road with them. The 'fudge' is presented as a 'tasty natural food' that the Krishna conscious 'monks' make at their ashram. All Glories to Sri Krishna Samkirtan which cleanses the heart of all the dust accumulated for years together!

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UP FROM THE WELL

The Bahulaban well was recently cleaned out. The team of Gojendra das, Premarupa das and Bhakta Blaine did the job up real expert like. Standing in freezing cold water, toes turning blue (they could even see their breath), they each took turns going down into the well, dredging the bottom and scrubbing and rinsing the stone walls.

A whole bunch of things was found on the bottom and brought up. The list includes four 2½ gallon plastic buckets, three metal bowls, a trash can lid, one crowbar, a brass vase, innumerable spoons and forks, flowers, candy wrappers (?), Caidyasatru das's glasses, which he somehow or other lost last winter, and were ceremoniously given back to him, a lot of rope, one board, along with mucho mud, rocks and cold water.

After dredging, scrubbing and rinsing it down, the well was allowed to refill. A few drops of chlorine were added according to water company specifications to combat against dysentery and water-related contamination. They put on a concrete slab and completely sealed it up. Last of all a pressure tank and new pump were installed. The entire operation took about three days.

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COWS

"O bull, you are offenseless and thoroughly honest; therefore I wish all good to you." "The bull is the emblem of the moral principle and the cow is the representative of the earth. When the bull and the cow are in a joyfull mood, it is to be understood that the people of the world are also in a joyful mood. The reason is that the bull helps production of grains in the agricultural field, and the cow delivers milk, the miracle of aggregate food values. The human society maintains these two important animals very carefully so that they can wander everywhere in cheerfulness. Surabhi is the name of the cows which exist in the spiritual planets and are especially reared by Lord Krishna Himself. As men are made after the form and features of the Supreme Lord, so also the cows are made after the forms and features of the Surabhi cows in the spiritual kingdom." --Srimad Bhagavatam 1-17, verse and parts of purports.

Beginning with todays cow protection report we will include a record of total milk given by each individual cow at the Bahulaban Goshalla. Satyabhama became the third cow at New Vrindaban to give 80 lbs. of milk or better in a day (Himavati holds the highest record at 90+ lbs. in a day). 77.9, 76.4, 77.2, 80.8, 72.4, 69.6, 77.4 is Satyabhama's daily production this week for a total of 531.7 lbs. The rest of the barn, with the latest butterfat records, is as follows. (The butterfat % is given first and then the amount in pounds.)

<u>Cow</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>amount</u>
Satyabhama	4.0	531.7
Dvaraka	3.3	298.6
Ambika	3.9	359.6
Sati	3.6	256.2
Surabhi	3.8	184.1

<u>Cow</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>amount</u>
Sarasvati	3.5	330.0
Rukmini	4.2	345.2
Laxsmi	3.7	339.2
Bhadra	3.5	416.3
Yasoda	4.4	295.2
Rocana	5.3	298.6
Rabbri	4.5	211.4
Isani	4.6	242.2
Syama	4.0	191.3
Parvati	3.4	509.2
Kaliya	---	176.9
Cintamani	---	491.7

Two weeks ago it was stated that a 4.0% test means out of 100 lbs. of milk 4 lbs. is cream. This is incorrect. The correction is this: for every 100 lbs. of milk, 4 lbs. is butterfat, and butterfat directly refers to ghee.

Seventeen cows were milking in the barn this week with these daily total in pounds.

July 6 - 785.1, July 7 - 786.8, July 8 - 784.5, July 9 - 804.1, July 10 - 781.3, July 11 - 761.6, and July 12 - 796.0.

The daily herd average was at 782.7 lbs and the daily average per cow was 46 lbs.

The fly population in the barn has decreased greatly this week by using the Yellow Golden Maldrin fly poison dry on plates and not wet. This seems to maintain the potency of the poison rather than diluting it. Also, in preparation for Srila Prabhupada's arrival the old whitewash is being scraped off and a fresh coat is going on. The cowherd boys are very much anticipating the moment when Srila Prabhupada comes to spread His purifying rays of Krishna Prema all over the barn.

Hari bol!

-- Amburish das

COWS (Continued)--

VRINDABAN FARM GOSHALLA REPORT.

The statistics this week for the Vrindaban cows is as follows:

<u>Basya</u>	<u>Mallika</u>	<u>Kunti</u>	<u>Himavati</u>
11.1 lb	31.0 lb	29.4 lb	45.0 lb
11.4	32.1	29.4	44.3
11.5	30.6	30.0	45.5
11.2	30.2	29.6	35.5
11.5	30.5	30.6	29.9
10.9	31.5	29.2	33.2
10.2	30.6	27.9	40.5
77.8	216.5	208.2	213.9

Total for week: 716.4 lbs.

On Tuesday Mother Himavati was struck with a 107 degree fever (a cow has a normal body temperature of 101.5 - 102.5). She was extremely weak and had a most evident case of mastitis in her two rear quarters and came down 10 pounds of milk from the day before. All of this was discovered when she came back for her night milking after an ordinary day of grazing in the pasture. The next day her body temperature was down to normal but her mastitis has persisted through the present day even after receiving the recommended treatment. By the causeless mercy of the spiritual master, I pray that by His Divine Grace I may sincerely pray constantly for the desire to care nicely for these sacred cows who are so dearly loved by our Lord Govinda.

-- Radhanath das

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KRISHNA BOL!

Here is the Krishna Bol schedule for this week.

Monday	No Bol
Tuesday	Chapter 6
Wednesday	Chapter 7
Thursday	Chapter 8
Friday	Chapters 9 - 10
Saturday	Chapter 11
Sunday	Chapter 6 - 11 (review)

Akshobya das, an instructor at Gurukula, who made the questions and mediated the game in San Francisco at the recent Ratha Yatra, is coming to New Vrindaban for Janmastami with at least 1,500 questions for Volume I!

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DISPENSARY LOG

<u>Name & Time</u>	<u>date</u>	<u>Ailment</u>	<u>Treatment</u>
Parasara 10:30 a.m.	7/8	strained wrist	ace bandage
Purnima 3:15 p.m.	7/8	large cut	stitches (5)
Romharsan 2:00 p.m.	7/9	small cut	iodine
Jayaradhe 3:00	7/9	cramps	comfry/ mint tea
Dennis 11:30 p.m.	7/9	nail puncture	hydrogen peroxide
Shelavti 10:45 a.m.	7/11	fungus infection	zinc oxide
Jagaddatri 4:55 p.m.	7/13	small blisters	hydrogen peroxide

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ANNOUNCEMENT

A phone call was received this morning informing Kirtanananda Maharaj that Srila Prabhupada won't be here in New Vrindaban until this Thursday. His Divine Grace will be stopping to visit Gurukula in Dallas for two days before coming here. We should actually consider this Krishna's special mercy so that we'll have even more time to get New Vrindaban ready for our Spiritual Master's arrival.

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NEW VRINDABAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Minutes for 7/14/74

Attendance: Kirtanananda Maharaj, Paramhansa Maharaj, Daivata das, Devakinandana das, Paramananda das, Adi Pati das, Bhagavatananda das, Kuladri das, & Parambrahma das.

DEPARTMENTS:

Devakinandana das

- 15 acres of pastures were brushhogged (mowing of scrub brush) by Mr. Lilley this week.
- Romharsana das is going to Guruban to clear land regularly.
- The Harvestore is still empty.

Paramananda das

- The horses were working very hard this week on all farms. A new devotee was added to the horse department this week, Nityanath das Brahmachari who comes from the Seattle temple and has had experience working horses.
- This week both feed oats and mulch hay were picked up at Madhuban.
- Hay was picked up and put in the old barn at Bahulaban and some wheat was bound and put up.
- Work was done around the horse barn this week. The stream crossing was fixed up and also a load of gravel was put down directly behind the barn.

Adi Pati das

- The gardens are starting to produce nicely with enough being harvested to supply all the vegetables for the daily dahl.
- Work this week was done at Vrindaban for 2 days. Yarrow was gathered, ties were made for the tomato plants and beets and rutabaga were planted.
- At Madhuban, beets, rutabaga, collard, rhubarb, and chard and green beans were planted; also mulch hay was gathered and applied to the entire garden.
- The Bahulaban gardens were rototilled, hoed, hand weed; zucchini and hot yellow peppers were started and green beans and waxed beans were picked.
- Retenone bug control program was started this week.

Bhagavatananda das

- The construction crews built sidewalks and installed 2 outhouses at Madhuban this week and at Bahulaban they put up a new kitchen wall, remodeled the old outhouse and put in a sidewalk to the temple outhouse.

Kuladri das

- The Deity service at Bahulaban was greatly improved this week with the final move of the old kitchen to Ananda dham, its new home. Also the prasadam room, temple room and pujari room were all redecorated.
- The problem of cleanliness in the new pot room will hopefully be adjusted this week.

NEW VRINDABAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, MINUTES (Continued)--

- Some adjustments will be made in prasadam serving this week in order to please all parties who might be feeling some anxiety.

Paramhansa Maharaj

- The well in the greenhouse was finished and hooked up this week and is working very nicely.
- The bathing ghat will be redug and hopefully fixed so that it won't overflow anymore.

Daivata das - Madhuban

- Radha Madhava's menu is still increasing in quality and the cleanliness at Their temple is also much improved.
- Mother Mira Bai and Mother Rosa are working very nicely and steadily in Radha Madhava's service and they are a great boost to consciousness.
- There is a great need to have a daily teacher for Bhagavad-gita class.
- The kitchen was plastered this week, and fixing and cleaning is going strong on all fronts.

Parambrahma das - Vrindaban

- In the kitchen, Paratrichananda das has come in to do some cooking and the majority of pujari work at Vrindaban.
- The kitchen crew is also putting in a tile floor and painting the walls.

OLD BUSINESS

- The fire extinguisher information is coming with Mr. Richkin when he visits this week.
- Fruit trees are bhoga: do not pick or take fruit without authorization from Paramhansa Swami.
- Brahmana meetings must be attended by all brahmanas who want to do puja. Those who do not show up will be excluded from deity puja.

NEW BUSINESS

- All devotees need to become expert and increase their service output by increasing expectations. If we expect to do more, if we desire to do more, we can.
- We plan to use the old wooden silo for Madhuban's water tower.
- There is need of a five man hay crew.
- Guards who are caught sleeping on duty will be assigned to work with Udhareta das for at least one hour per day on heavy physical training or any extra duties he needs done in the Ksatriya dept.

Meeting adjourned.

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JUDICIAL BOARD for 7/7/74

No cases.

Mangala Arotrika misses:

Bahulaban: Radha Kanta das (7), Maduryalilanandana devi dasi (5), Adi Pati das (1), Devakinandana das (1), Mother Shelaviti (1). Vrindaban: Bhakta Bruce (1). Madhuban: Mother Sheryl (3).

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NEW VEINADHAN BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING, MINUTES (Continued)

--Some adjustments will be made in grasshopper serving this week in order to please all parties who might be feeling some anxiety.

Paramahansa Mahatma:
--The well in the greenhouse was finished and hooked up this week and is working very nicely.
--The painting gear will be ready and hopefully fixed so that it won't overflow anymore.

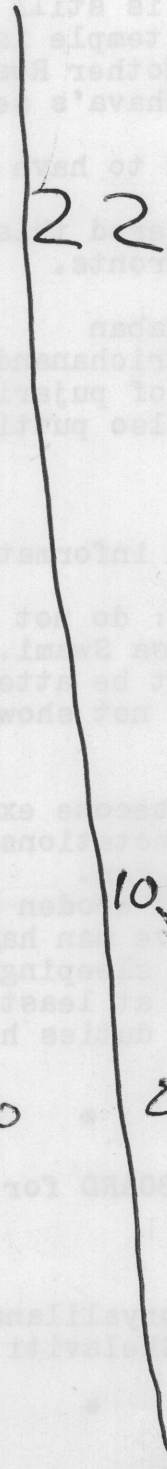
Paramahansa Mahatma:
--Radha Mahatma's room is still improving in quality and the cleanliness at their temple is also much improved.
--Mother Mrs. Lal and Mother Mrs. are working very nicely and steadily in Radha Mahatma's service and they are a great benefit to consciousness.
--There is a great need to have a daily teacher for Bhagavad-gita class.

Paramahansa Mahatma:
--In the kitchen, Paramahansa Mahatma has come in to do some cooking and the majority of putting work at Veinadhan.
--The kitchen crew is also putting in the floor and painting the walls.

--The fire extinguisher information is coming with Mr. Richard he visits this week.
--Radha Mahatma is doing the pick or take fruit without eating.
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--All devotees need to become experts and increase their service by increasing their devotion. If we expect to do more, it is desire to do more.
--We plan to use the water from the Mahatma water tower.
--There is a need of a water pump on duty all day long.
--Guards who are caught sleeping on duty will be punished with Bhagavad-gita for at least one hour per day on duty.
--Training or any extra duties he needs done in the kitchen.

--The Bhagavad-gita is being taught for 7/17/73.
--No more.
--Radha Mahatma's room is still improving in quality and the cleanliness at their temple is also much improved.
--Mother Mrs. Lal and Mother Mrs. are working very nicely and steadily in Radha Mahatma's service and they are a great benefit to consciousness.
--There is a great need to have a daily teacher for Bhagavad-gita class.



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