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DEAR GODBROTHERS.

Please accept our most humble obeisances at your feet. All Glories to our illustrious Spiritual Master, His Divine Grace A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada! Who has so kindly appeared here in New Vrindaban to quench the transcendental thirst of His devotees for His purifying association. Certainly Srila Prabhupada is the most merciful representative of Godhead.

We would like to extend our greetings to all the wonderful devotees who have com here to our humble community to drink the nectarine words issuing from Srila Prabhupada's

many other devoters from all over ISKCON. We hope you have found your stay here most pleasing and the festivities and association most relishable. Also, to our guests who have become interested in the Krishna Consciousness movement, we extend our invitation for you to come again and visit New Vrindaban at any time, especially for our wonderful Sunday festivities and feasts held every Sunday afternoon. Also, if you should get a subscription to this journal, then we could inform you in advance of any upcoming festivals, important events, etc.

This issue of The Brijbasi Spirit is a little different than usual as the type of activities this last week have not been usual. This issue is devoted mainly to Srila Prabhupada's visit and activities and also some nectar derived from G.B.C. members on what's happening with varnasrama dharma in other parts of ISKCON.

We humbly present this issue to you and pray that somehow or other it is worthy of presentation. All Glories to Sri Guru and Gouranga!!

Your humble servants,

the editors

VAISNAVA CALENDAR

Tuesday, July 23: Dissappearance of Srila Raghunandana Thakura and Srila Vamsidasa Babaji Maharaja.

SRILA PRABHUPADA COMES TO NEW VRINDABAN

A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, Jagad-guru of the Universe and our beloved Spiritual Master, arrived at the Pittsburgh airport at approximately 2 p.m. Thursday afternoon. Brahmananda das Goswami (private secretary). Nitai das (Sanskrit translator) and Vaikunthanath das (typist) accompanied him. Greeting Srila Prabhupada at the airport was Kirtanananda Swami, Paramhamsa Swami, Kuladri das, Parambrahma das, Vipina das, Narada Muni das, Sruti Kirti das, Vahna das and his wife, Bhagavatananda das, Radhanath das, Paramananda das and his son Premananda das, Sudanu das, Adi Pati das and his brother Dave, Isani devi dasi, Vedya devi dasi, guards Urdhareta, Kasyapa das, Jagat-trata das. and Bhakta Mark and many others.

The luxury sedan rented from Hertz broke down and Srila Prabhupada was

chauffeured by Dave.

SRILA PRABHUPADA'S ARRIVAL AT BAHULABAN

All the devotees stood in the courtyard outside the Bahulaban temple. Kirtan swelled from the assembly down the driveway and out to the road and surrounding fields. Every passing car brought a small, quick intake of air from the devotees. Then...a bright yellow automobile, followed by a red Vokswagon, drove into view. A cry of "Jai Srila Prabhupada!" and the devotees prostrated themselves on the ground to offer their obeisances. Srila Prabhupada had arrived!

As Srila Prabhupada's car slowly reached the top of the driveway the Brijbasis swarmed around the car to catch a long-awaited glimpse of their most beloved guru. Srila Prabhupada, sitting in the front seat, slowly got out of the car and with folded hands greeted the New Vrindaban Brijbasis

with his transcendental smile.

Srila Prabhupada, flanked by his most intimate disciple Kirtanananda Swami, and Paramhamsa Swami and Brahmanananda Swami, entered into the Bahulaban farm howse. He walked through the re-decorated prasadam room and into the completely re-done temple room. Soma das was sprinkling water in front of him to purify the ground for his lotus feet and the devotees flowed behind him like a flock of devoted sheep.

Inside the temple room Srila Prabhupada greeted Their Lorships Sri Sri Radha Vrndavana Candra and paid his obeisances. Then he 'floated' down the aisle to his Vyasasana which ecstatically accepted his spiritual-

ized body.

Srila Prabhupada, taking karatels in hand and being eloquently fanned by Dharmatma das, started singing the Jaya Radha Madhava prayers. Sheer spiritual force permeated the temple room, developing into an ecstatic kirtan. At the conclusion of the shorblissful kirtan and the Jaya Om prayers, Srila Prabhupada gave the following arrival address.

"So you are all very lucky in this far remote place, that is New Vrindaban, and Lord Radha Vrndavana Candra has appeared, so ; you are all very lucky. Sri Bhaktivinode Thakur, he used to say "jedina grhete bhajana dehki grhete goloka bha." You are householders--the picture of Srila Bhaktivinode is here. He was very responsible government officer and still, he was a great Vaisnava. Practically, this Krishna Consciousness movement within 100 years was started by Srila Bhaktivinode Thakur. He had the idea of spreading Krishna Consciousness movement throughout the whole world. Of course, before him, Lord Caitanya, He personally wanted. In every town and village My name shall be sung and heard by everyone.

SRILA PRABHUPADA IN NEW VRINDABAN (Cont.) --

He wanted that this Krishna Consciousness movement, bhakti cult, introduced by Caitanya Mahaprabhu in the recent years, within 500 years, He wanted. It was not limited within a circle, within a small circle, but all over the world, as many towns and villages as there are. Sarvatra prasade hari. This was the prediction. So He wanted, Sri Caitanya Mahaprabhu, that the Indians should take up this movement. Of course, I am Indian-but anyway, it has come to your country, and you are American young boys and girls, you have taken this movement seriously, so kindly push it on. You are-you must be feeling personally how happy you are. You can compare your past life to this life. So try to make others also happy. That is Vaisnavism, or that is really philanthropic work. Not only that we should simply ourselves become happy by tasting the nectar, the transcendental nectarine of Hare Krishna mahamantra, but we should try to induce others to take this nectar. Sometimes we require to be given by some fate, by force. Then we will be happy. Just like a small child. He does not want to take medicine, but he is offered something which is very tasteful to him and he is given the medicine. So this Hare Krishna movement is the medicine of the material disease. Bhavesadhi. It is called in the Bhagavatam, Bhavosadhi. Bhavo means repitition of birth and death. Bhavo and repitition., of birth and death is not our business. Unfortunately the foolish civilization they do not know the secrets of life. They think that death is natural. It is unnatural. Death is not natural. Just like health is natural; disease is not natural. When there is disease, to come to the healthy position one has to take treatment from the physician to cure him of the disease -- not that disease is natural. Similarly, birth and death-this is unnatural. To take birth, to die again, that is unnatural, and this is called Bhavolo--material disease, And the Hare Krishna movement is called vosadi. Vosadi means medicine. Vosadi means medicine. So if you take this medicine, Hare Krishna mantra, then you get yourself relieved from the unnatural things; birth, death, old age, and disease. Every one wants that there not be no death. Every-

one wants that there will not be disease. I may remain healthy always. Everyone wants that they may not become old. This is the real problem of life. But people are careless. They, because they do not know how to get out of the ocean of miserable condition, they do not. Therefore our attempt is Krishna Consciousness movement. Let everyone know that here is the medicine to get free from birth, death, old age, and disease. This is fact, Krishna Consciousness, Krishna says in the Bhagavad-gita 'janma karma ca me divyam, evam yo vetti tattvatah, tyaktva deham punar janma, naiti mam eti so'rjuna,' Try to understand Krishna. There are so many universities, colleges, and schools but there is no teaching how to understand Krishna. They are all rascals. So these children whom we are teaching from the very beginning of their Krishna Consciousness. That is really school, that is real college, Now we are teaching small boys and children. Teach very nicely. We don't require any other education. Simply teach them how to read little Sanskrit. Not very scholarly, We don't want. Simply they can utter the words correctly. 'Dharma ksetre kuru ksetre samaveta yuyutsavah mamakah pandavas caiva kim akurvata sanjaya.º And the word meanings are there. So there is no difficulty. The translation is there. The purport is there. So if they read simply these books, what I have given to you. Please always remember that these books are for reading, by you. Not only for selling or for spreading, but if you think only of selling book then our business is finished. No. You should read yourself also. That is one thing. So if you read all these books very scrutinizingly, then you become more than MA, PHd of any university. You don't require. Simply. So my request is those who have taken the responsibility of teaching, teach them nicely so that they can understand. This is the bhavosadi. Pariksit Maharaja said 'bhavosadi uttamasloka. He said that this glorification of the holy name of the Lord can be executed by persons who are free from all material desires. Thirsty, everyone is very much thirsty to enjoy this material world. And this chanting of Hare Krishna mahmantra is meant for persons who have no more this thirsty desire for material enjoyment. It is meant for liberated persons. But is that first of all we have to become liberated,

SRILA PRABHUPADA IN NEW VRINDABAN (Cont.) --

then we have to chant. No. You chant, and it will liberate you. Utadaysana marjanam. Your heart, your consciousness purified. This is the process of chanting Hare Krishna mantra. So you become purified then you can render service to Krishna. This is the process. To render service is also not meant for ordinary human beings. It is meant for liberated persons. And it is also not that first of all if we become liberated. Yet simultaneously we become liberated if you stick to the service of Krishna. Just like in Deity worship. If you keep yourself attached to Deity worship in so many ways. Sri Vigraha Radhana Nityanana sringara tanman dhiramas janado. Somebody dressing the Deity-sringara, Somebody washing the temple, somebody doing in connection with, anything you do. not that one who is washing the floor or cleaning the ground of the temple is lesser than the person who is directly dressing the Deity. Don't think like that. Everyone is equal. Srivigraha radhana nityanana sringara tanman dhiramas janado. It is the duty of the guru to teach disciples how to worship the Deity, how to keep the temple clean. The more you keep the temple clean then your heart becomes clean. And as soon as your heart becomes clean then you understand what you are. And as soon as you rightly understand what you are you engage yourself in the service of the Lord. This is the process. Nitya Krishna das. Cleansing the heart means to understand that I am the eternal servant of Krishna. When one understands this, that is the perfection of life. So if you want to simply think I am servant of Krishna, nobody's servant, no, as soon as you become servant of Krishna, you become everyone's servant. Krishna is everyone. You cannot neglect anything of Krishna's. So I have become servant of Krishna, not that I am servant of Vaisnavas. No, that is not perfect. That is kanista adhikary, lower stage. If one is simply attached to the Deity worships very perfectly but he does not know how to worship Vaisnava and how to give service to other people he is in the material position. So one should know how to worship the Deity very perfectly, one should know how to worship the Vaisnava and one should know how to give service to the people in general, in connection with Krishna.

Prahlad Maharaj says to Lord Nrsimha that I am not at all worried about myself. I am worried for these rascals who have no Krishna Consciousness and for flickering happiness are working day and night without any benefit. This is actually the position. T, hat people, without any understanding of Krishna Conscious ness, are simply wasting their valuable lives. So a Vaisnava should be concerned that these rascals they are very much busy for temporary illusory happiness. They do not know what is happiness. Therefore it is my duty just to try to give them some enlightenment about Krishna Consciousness. I am very happy in this remote village. You have got Radha-Krishna, Vrndavana Candra, Vrndavana Candra means the full moon light of Vrndavana. Krishna. So worship the Deity and send missionary men from village to village and preach then gradually this center will be developed. Your guide is Kirtanananda Maharaja, with expert guidance. So I thank you very much for your activities here. Hare Krishna."

Afterwards there was another ecstatic kirtan as Srila Prabhupada made his way out of the temple and into the back of his awaiting vehicle; bhakta dave chauffeuring and Kirtanananda Swami sitting in the front seat. Off they went to Srila Prabhupada's guest house a few miles away. The Brijbasis, looking stunned, thought only of when they would see him again the next day.

HARVESTORE

Srila Prabhupada made an inspection tour to the new barn Friday and was shown the barn construction and especially the 'big blue' Harvestore silo. Kirtanananda Swami showed him the feeding system and opened the hatch and showed him the inside. Srila Prabhupada was asked if he could see what was printed near the top of the tall structure (it says NEW VRINDABAN, Founder and Acarya A.C. Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada). Srila Prabhupada replied yes. He said it was all very good.

The grinder-blower was finally repaired and working and one ton of haylage got stored. The current grinder-blower is not the right kind, though, so it's going to be replaced next week with another one. Concrete footers were poured

for the second silo.

SATURDAY FESTIVAL

The day started wonderfully when Srila Prabhupada was at Guru Puja at 6:30 a.m. and gave Srimad Bhagavatam class at 7:00. Afterwards at 8:00 prasadam was served to about 300 people. All morning the devotees and guests engaged themselves in preparing for the feast and festival and for His Divine Grace's arrival and lecture at 7:00 p.m.

At 12:30 an eestatic kirtan was started and led by G.B.C. and Sannyasis. Arotrika for Sri Sri Radha Vrndavana Candra was at 1:00, and then at 1:30 Kirtanananda Swami

gave a lecture.

At 2:00 there was a huge, bliss-out feast with more preparations than anyone could eat, Among the preps were Galub-jumins, para (2 different kinds), chaw, sweet rice, haleva, kofta, potato vegetable, yellow rice with peas, eggplant, puris, fruit salad and others. All the brahmacaris from the Vrindaban farm prepared for and served the feast.

Afterwards, Paramhamsa Swami led another ecstatic kirtan at 3:00. Kirtan and preparations for Srila Prabhupada's arrival carried on throughout the rest of the afternoon. At 6:30 another tight kirtan led by Paramhamsa Maharaja got together until finally at 7:00 p.m. Srila Prabhupada arrived.

Srila Prabhupada was greeted by hundreds of devotees and well-wishers and as he gave his lecture everyone was transfixed in rapt attention to his divine words. He spoke largely on the different planets and how one must qualify himself to enter into them and he explained the process for achieving the highest goal of life by entering into Krishna's abode by the process of devotional service. At the end of the lecture he said that we should all cooperate with Kirtanananda Maharaja and then everything will go nicely.

So the Saturday festivities were a huge success. About 400 devotees and guests were here and the temples represented were Ottawa, Portland, Miami, Washington, D.C., Toronto, Philedelphia, Baltimore, Cleveland, Buffalo, New York, Pittsburgh, ISKCON Press, Rupanuga Maharaja's travelling party, and G.B.C. members and sannyasis.

VARNASRAMA

PROGRESS

The Brijbasi Spirit talked to Rupanuga Maharaja, Mahendra das (Pres. Pittsburgh), and Adi Kesava das (Pres. Boston) and asked if they had any views, based on the words of Srila Prabhupada, about the role of city book distribution and country community varnasrama colleges. The response was the following.

There is no question of minimizing one for the other. Krishna Consciousness. Lord Caitanya's movement, is ever-increasing. Srila Prabhupada has given different instructions to his disciples and they are simply executing them. Although the city temples have been told to buy land and start varnasrama dharma communities, it is not always possible to do it right away. according to the time and circumstances.

Says Mahendra, "If there is any lack of understanding, it is due to lack of maturity." Also Rupanuga Prabhu stated, "Srila Prabhupada is pleased with New Vrindaban, therefore I am pleased."

ISKCON BUYS FARMS

Buffalo temple now has a 50 acre farm. It was given to them by a wonderful lady who likes Lord Caitanya's movement very much. Rupanaga Maharaja gave the following description of it.

The farm has 3 wells, 1 barn, an animal shed, and very nice 3-bedroom farmhouse with a large kitchen and full facilities, 2 householder couples and 2 brahmacaris live there right now. In the way of cows, there are 3 milkers, 5 calves, and 2 Holstein bulls. The cows supply enough milk (enough for 25 devotees) for both the farm and the Buffalo temple. The mother cows are Gurnseys and, although small, have very high butterfat percentages.

The farm is 45 miles Southwest of Buffalo and is even more secluded than New Vrindaban. About 2 cars pass by its country road in a day. Also, the neighbors are very cooperative.

The farm is bordered by a river. It has woodland and pasture. This year one and a half acres of vegetables have been planted and the farm has walnut, apple and pear trees.

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VARNASRAMA PROGRESS (Cont.) --

New York has also very recently purchased a farm, a completely operating dairy farm. Bali Mardan Maharaja was so kind as to give us the following information.

It is a 255 acre secluded farm located between Harrisburg, N.Y. and the State College. There are 180 acres of tillable land, 35-40 acres of pasture and the rest is mostly woods. On one side is a ridge and on another side the 50-ft. wide Tuskarora River borders it for a distance of one mile. The soil is Hagertown loam. There are 2 springs for water supply.

Trees on the farm include walnut, oak etc. and crops grown on the farm include corn. wheat and alfalfa.

As for buildings, there are 2 barns, 2 silos, a toolshed and a wonderful farmhouse,

Bali Mardan plans to start habitation next April and grow fruits, grains, and vegetables on all the tillable land so as to become self-sufficient. The New York devotees will be rotated, spending some time farming and some time on city Samkirtan, so as to give them some breathing room, seeing as how New York is such a heavy scene. Bali Mardan, like Kirtanananda Swami, is interested in Brown Swiss and Jerseys for dairy cows.

Bali Mardan suggests that there should be close communication between the farm communities. Kirtanananda Maharaja says that he will tour the other farms, because Srila Prabhupada has put him in charge of the varnasrama farm co mmunities, but Maharaj said also, "I don't want to impose on anybody. I'll come if they want me to." Rupanuga wants Kirtanananda Swami to visit the Buffalo farm. Kirtanananda Swami has also stated his desire to train Devakinandana das up to help the other farms with their cow programs.

SRILA PRABHUPADA VISITS GURUBAN

On Friday, Srila Prabhupada visited the sight where his palace is being built. He gave a thorough inspection of the construction and offered some comments.

He asked, "Ah, is this my palace?" And Bali Mardan asked if jewels would light the palace, finely and majestically just as it says in Krishna Book how jewels would light the palaces of the great Maharaja's of the ancient Vedic times, in past ages. Srila Prabhupada answered, "These devotees are my jewels."

Kirtanananda Maharaja showed Srila Prabhupada a painting of the palace depicting how it will look upon completion. Maharaja explained how there will be a domed temple room inside, showed the courtyard area and described how there will be a garden, water fountain, glass canopy overhead, showed the quarters, Srila Prabhupada's study, and how there will be big glass doors so Srila Prabhupada can see the scenery outside and also see Lord Caitanya in the temple room from his study. Srila Prabhupada smiled radiantly.

Srila Prabhupada tapped the walls to make sure they were quite solid. He pointed to a lotus arch and mentioned how there are many in Vrndavana. Kirtanananda Swami replied. "Yes, Srila Prabhupada."

Kirtanananda Swami said it would be done in the spring and said, "You must be patient with us." Srila Prabhupada said, "I alræady am." Then he went on to say, "If you want, I am already living here." And Kirtanananda Swami responded, "Thank you very much."

As Srila Prabhupada got into the car, he looked at Soma das and Gostavihari das, who work on the construction. He inquired, "Oh, you are working here?" Gostavihari replied, "Yes, Srila Prabhupada." His Divine Grace said, "Thank you very much." Gostavihari again responded, "Thank you Srila Prabhupada for letting us engage in your service."

CEMENTING

A whole cement loader full of concrete poured the foundation for the second Harvestore silo. After completing the job there was a lot of concrete left. So Bhagavatananda das ordered his expert Guruban crew to hurriedly make wooden forms to pour a concrete walk to the farm barn and bathhouse. There was enough concrete left still to pour in back of the barn to provide easy access for cows & men.

COWS

"The value of a moments association with the devotee of the Lord cannot even be compared to the attainment of heavenly planets or liberation from matter, and what to speak of worldly benedictions in the form of material prosperity, which is for those who are meant for death." -- Srimad Bhagavatam 1.18.14

All Glories to the Ocean of Mercy, Srila Prabhupada, Who has so kindly appeared before us in the land of New Vrindaban. He has come again to fill our minds with the transcendental Name of Krishna. He is always giving knowledge to anyone who will hear about how to become engaged only for Krishna, how to associate with Krishna. In the Bhagavatam Prabhupada says that a bhagavata-sanyi is one who is always "in association with the Lord's names, form, qualities, etc. and such association is always desirable; it is worshipable, it is praiseworthy, and one may accept it as the

highest goal of life.

All the cows were assembled at their proper places Friday morning when His Divine Grace, accompanied by Kirtanananda Swami and a number of devotees, entered the Bahulaban Goshalla. He then said to Devakinandana das, "Thank you very much." Prabhupada then proceeded to slowly walk through the barn closely observing the cows on either side of him. Kirtanananda Swami was informing him about certain cows, and stopping next to Sukla and her calf, Prabhupada touched his Lotus Hand to her head. Kirtanananda Swami then told Prabhupada about Satyabhama, how she is presently giving 80 lbs. of milk daily, as he saw her being milked, Again Prabhupada remarked to Devakinandana Prabhu, "You are doing wonderfully here." So Prabhupada continued strolling through the barn, benedicting everything simply by His glance.

Friday evening Kirtanananda Maharaja and Devakinandana das were visiting Srila Prabhupada and he commented how the cows were being cared for expertly at New Vrindaban. He talked a great deal about cows and restaurants, saying that the way to stop karmis from eating meat will be to give

them nice preparations cooked in first

quality ghee. This means that Cow Protection must go on and we must become experts in presenting nice prasadam through our own restaurants to all fallen souls of the world using our mother cow the proper way. Jai

Srila Prabhupada!

Tuesday morning, before Prabhupada 's arrival, Mother Sukla gave birth, 2 weeks early, to a nice heifer calf. Usually when a cow gives birth she has a fresh new bag of milk for her calf, therefore giving birth is referred to as 'coming fresh'. Such was not the case with Sukla this time as she has an infection in her milk bag. This prevented her from making nice milk. Now after almost a w eek her infection is present only in one teat and in 3 tests she is making first class, high butterfat milk. When Srila Prabhupada was here 2 years ago he was given only Sukla's milk because it was so rich.

Mother Cintamani had a rough time this week. She was steadily increasing in milk production after calving about 3 weeks ago. Just on the verge of hitting 80 lbs. a day she somehow became sick and for a few days this week she didn't eat so much or produce the normal amount of milk. Her temperature was 105 degerees to 106 degrees. Now since Srila Prabhupada's arrival she is improving greatly and will now (barring further calamities) return to her regular form.

Sanatana and Rupa's breeding attempts of 24 days ago to Rocana proved to no avail this week as Mother Rocana again came in heat. So this week Mother Laxsmi and Rocana were bred

again.

So here are this week's production records of the Surabhis of Bahulaban. 17 cows were milked this week every day.

| Cow | 1/6 | amount |
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| Satyabhama Dvaraka Ambika Sati Surabhi Sarasvati Rukmini Laxsmi Bhadra Yasoda Rocana Rabbri | 4.039.68 5.039.68 5.27 5.43 5.43 5.43 5.43 5.43 5.43 5.43 5.43 | 519.0 298.4 330.6 267.5 174.0 313.4 313.4 302.9 383.5 271.6 281.4 197.8 |

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| Cow | 2 | amount |
|----------------|-----------|----------------|
| Syama Isani | 4.0 | 173.4 216.1 |
| Parvati | 3.4 | 182.7 |
| Kaliya | CHCD CHED | 215.2 |
| Cintamani | oman | 433.7 |

The (%) is butterfat.

July 13 - 778.5; July 14 - 751.2; July 15 - 737.0; July 16 - 745.0; July 17 - 706.7; July 18 - 739.2; July 19 - 699.7. Total: 5157.3 lbs. for the week Daily herd average: 736.7 lbs. Daily average per cow: 43.3 lbs.

KSATRIYA DEPARTMENT

All those push-ups paid off for the guard trainees during Prabhupada's stay this week. Those who body-guarded him got to sit in on a lot of nectar besides do a valuable service. There were no dangerous incidences, however. Mostly the guards spent a lot of time turning away unauth-orized visitors that would have simply disturbed him.

Though aware of the twenty-four hour armed guard on him he didn't actually have much to say about it. Once he looked at Premarupa and said thoughtfully, "Guns..." At one point he said to Paramhamsa Swami that the guards must be courageous while Maharaja was explaining to him that we had such a guard program.

Srila Prabhupada authorized the singing Of:

Jaya Radhe Jaya Radhe Radhe Jaya Radhe Jaya Sri Radhe Jaya Krishna Jaya Krishna Krishna Jaya Krishna Jaya Sri Krishna Jaya Vrindaban Jaya Brindaban Jaya Vrindaban Jaya Vrindaban.

Formerly the guards were marching to this tune but had discontinued when doubt had been shed as to whether it was bonified. Happily the trainees will take it up again.

All glories to Srila Prabhupada and this great opportunity to die in his service.

I asked Prabhupada if the animals were destroying the crops should we destroy the animals. He answered, "Let them eat."

--- Urdhareta das, Cpt.

MILK KITCHEN

Since last Tuesday six batches of chaw (a batch starts off with 10-15 gallons of skim milk and 1 gallon produces $1\frac{1}{2}$ lbs. of chaw). The different flavors that were made included peanut butter, date, walnut, and walnut-cardamon. Two batches of chaw will be made daily. All the chaw is cooked outside on wood cookers because when the hemispheric cooker issued, the milk burns on the walls of the cooker and it takes over 2 hours to clean it afters each use.

The hemispheric cooker, which has been out of commission for a while, is now cleaned and running again. It is being used to condense milk and also to pasteurize it. Cereal might even be made in it.

Also in the milk kitchen, Paratrikananda das made two batches of pera for the weekend festival, 360 and 138 per batch respectively. All glories to New Vrindaban's Surabhis!