

HERALD OF
HEALTH

What Cooking Does:
Parts of amino acids destroyed

DR. ROYAL LEE:

There's connection between

RANCID OIL
and DISEASE

February, 1962

35c

Rancidity and Disease

Royal Lee says there's
connection between
spoiled oil and illness

By DON C. MATCHAN

The adverse effects of rancid oil, devitalized food and sugar on the body, and the beneficial effects of Vitamin C, sea salt, protein, sesame seed were explained by Dr. Royal Lee during the eastern convention of National Health Federation. He was introduced by Harold Edwards as "America's best known nutritional leader and pioneer in the natural health movement, writer, manufacturer and inventor."

"It's a basic principle," Dr. Lee asserted, "that we should eat natural foods. There has been tremendous opposition to use of natural products, millions are spent telling us there's nothing wrong with our diets. Dr. Frederick Stare, head of the nutrition department at Harvard, is a spokesman for those interested in making us believe processed foods are nutritious. That department received a million-dollar grant for research recently from General Foods. One would think a great university would be above that sort of thing."

"We hear a lot about chemicals. A very fine book on this subject is Dr. Bicknell's *Chemicals in Food*. Another good book, recommended by the AMA Journal for doctors, is *Vitamins in Medicine*."

"A chemical is a substance which has been isolated, identified and purified. White sugar is chemically pure sugar. It provides only calories. It destroys critical amino acids. Don't forget the difference between food and chemicals. Once reduced to chemicals, it has lost its food value."

"Most of us must develop a deficiency disease before we're interested in learning about nutrition. The human body will stand a lot of punishment. But every newspaper tells of someone dropping dead of heart disease. The death rate is 700,000 to 800,000 annually. And 90 per cent of these cases are curable."

People who develop heart disease think they've had hard luck. It's Nature's penalty for what we ate. There are a lot of preventable diseases. Heart attacks are almost unknown in India and China. Yet, during the Korean War, 76 per cent of the American soldiers autopsied were

revealed to have had coronary disease. Infectious diseases have been greatly reduced, but degenerative disease is on the increase. Those making and selling refined foods are fighting for their life, and that is the reason for the propaganda that today's foods are nutritious.

"Refined, synthetic foods, grown on poor soil with a lack of cobalt, are causing disease and this is fact. People eating imitation foods start having imitation bodies. They call it cancer, heart disease. Cooking proteins destroys parts of the amino acids and the body cannot use that protein. Tissues start disintegrating."

"Rancid oil is cooked oil. Why the common cold? It is a result of rancid oil in food. The major source is packaged and processed cereals from corn to rice. Rancid oil causes cancer. Much cream is rancid and moldy before it arrives at the creamery. And by homogenizing, stale milk can be mixed in with fresh milk and 'new' milk can be produced. Rancid oil is the most potent liver poison I know."

"In laboratory experiments rats developed cancer from rancid wheat germ oil. If you buy bulk oil, don't get over a month's supply, and keep it under refrigeration. Cold-pressed oil does not get rancid until the top is removed the first time. When moist air reaches the oil, rancidity starts. Wheat germ oil in a gelatine capsule is protected from moist air and does not go rancid for at least 10 years. But look out for oleo and sour cream butter—they can be rancid and you won't detect it by taste. When sweet cream butter gets rancid you can taste it."

"If you grind feed for pigs and let it stand a month before feeding, hogs will start dying of pneumonia. Senator Robinson of New York 20 years ago learned about the effect of white bread. He was getting stale bread from a bakery, and subsequently his hogs started dying of pneumonia. They set up test lots, one group being fed the white bread, the other not. Those not eating white bread did not develop pneumonia."

"If we eat the right kind of foods, viruses won't bother us. Vitamin C is important in building resistance. How is Vitamin C destroyed? Solomon's *Manual*

of *Pharmacology*, in a paragraph titled "Fluorosis and Scurvy," reports that P. H. Phillips in 1933 found that guinea pigs receiving fluoride develop a scurvy-like condition on diets containing several times the amount of ascorbic acid which protects normal animals, and the adrenal glands hypertrophy. Fluoride probably inactivates the enzyme reaction that involves ascorbic acid. Bone marrow hyperplasia and atrophy and severe hypochromic anemia have been reported for long-continued administration to dogs."

"Dr. Wiley wrote that foods and poisons are opposite. We can't live without food and we can't live with poison. Poison should not be added to food. Propionates in bread should not be permitted."

"Another thing not good for the body is corn syrup. Dr. Wiley pointed out it is likely to cause diabetes. The University of Pennsylvania proved it does. Wiley tried to stop the use of corn syrup. It's a breakdown of the molecular structure of corn starch, or glucose. It is as easy to make glucose from saw dust as from corn. Hepatitis is caused by glucose."

"Cereals are damaged by time after they're processed. A test for the wholesomeness of bread is to grind some whole-grain, make bread and offer it to a dog. If you offer the dog baker's bread at the same time, he won't touch the baker's bread. Back in 1926 the salesmanager of a large flour mill told me flour loses 10 per cent of its vitality per day after the wheat is ground. *The only answer to wholesome bread is to grind the wheat and bake it yourself.*

"When Napoleon was defeated by the British army, the British soldiers' mess amounted to only one pound of wheat a day. In the Hunza country there is no arthritis. In India, where people live on cereals, there is zero arthritis."

"People say it costs too much to go to the trouble of getting honest foods. Well, you won't live without 'em! It costs more to make honest foods. Like hybrid corn, which is refined before you take it off the stalk. It's as if you bought an automobile and pushed it home without an engine—an ornament, but no power plant."

Dr. Lee said he believes milk, "like citrus juices, is over-promoted. It may

LaLeche League Mothers Talk on Breast-Feeding

have a place, but not an indispensable place."

"What to do for protein? Soy beans are a wonderful source. In China they make soy bean curd. There's a trick about legumes. They have varying amounts of an enzyme-inhibiting factor, making them hard to digest *unless properly prepared*.

"Soak the soy beans and refrigerate. After four hours change water, soak and refrigerate again, going through this process at four-hour intervals, four different times. To make Chinese curd, blend beans, and strain the hulls that didn't get chopped up. Add a little potassium carbonate—enough to curdle it, drain off the whey and wash with tap water. With Chinese bean curd you can make cheese cake instead of using cottage cheese. Or it can be molded into patties and fried. Fried foods, using fresh oil, won't cause indigestion. We have a leaflet telling about soy and Chinese curd, available by writing us. (Lee Foundation for Nutritional Research, 2023 West Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee 3, Wis.)

"Other good protein sources are raw nuts, (make nut butter with liquefier), sesame seed, flax, but it gets rancid if it stands overnight, after grinding. Sesame seed has a unique place in diet. It's a stamina-builder, preferably in the form of butter. The Romans used sesame seed and honey as emergency rations for soldiers. The Turks always have used sesame seeds. Extracts of sesame seed are valuable in treatment of some diseases, possibly even leukemia. (Ed. note: Dr. Lee's Vitamin Products Co. imports sesame seeds from South America where wood ashes are used in drying. The seeds are brown and somewhat bitter.)

"Flax is good, but gets rancid quickly. It is high in Vitamin F, helps blood pressure conditions and is useful in treating prostate trouble, a form of vitamin deficiency. I have seen the vitamins in wheat germ bring back a patient's second heart sound in 10 minutes. These vitamins will stop fibrillation or murmur. It takes a week for the murmur to return, and if you eat wholegrain bread it'll never come back.

"If you have a deficiency condition, it's a good idea to search for a food pattern, and correct the deficiency permanently. Keep a diary of what you eat for a week."

Natural sea salt was recommended by Dr. Lee, who said an experiment with pigs revealed an eight per cent faster growth than animals fed regular salt.

"Tests on humans showed the same type of results," he said. "Arthritis has been helped with sea salt. We need manganese, and sea salt is a source of trace

A program on breast-feeding was presented by a group of LaLeche League mothers who also conducted a roundtable throughout the National Health Federation convention.

"The baby is not the only one who benefits from breast-feeding," declared Marian Tompson, founder and president of the group which started in 1956, now has 12 groups in Illinois and 10 in other states. "The nursing mother is less likely to develop breast cancer. Each time a baby nurses, the uterus contracts. Nursing right after delivery is important. At night the mother gets more sleep, too, if she nurses.

"In some hospitals you're told not to eat chocolate, fruit, cabbage. We believe that if food agrees with the mother, she can eat it. Flat-chested mothers can nurse as well as others. There is no reason for a mother to stop nursing when the menstrual cycle is resumed. While a mother is completely breast-feeding, her chances for becoming pregnant before she has at least one menstrual period are less than one per cent.

"Mothers with twins sometimes wonder why there are differences. If they're fraternal twins, one may be placid, sleep and eat a lot, while the other may be wiry and thin. It isn't unusual for bottle-fed babies to be heavier. Cow milk has a high salt content not excreted by an infant kidney.

"Can a mother be too nervous to nurse? Extreme nervousness might hold back the milk supply, or if she is tired and upset. But this is temporary, if the mother relaxes everything is okay."

Mrs. Edwina Froelich followed Mrs. Tompson, asserting "there is no question

minerals containing about everything. I have seen the protein content of wheat doubled by adding sea salt to the land, 200 pounds to the acre."

Dr. Lee described processed cheese as "another abomination. Today's processing methods make it possible for manufacturers to buy spoiled cheese, mix it with gum, and repackage.

"It doesn't cost to get good foods, it pays," he reiterated. "India has virtually no tooth decay. In this country it is rampant. In 1933 Merck's Index said of dental caries: "Can be prevented by diet." Now those words are deleted and these words have been substituted: "Caries are caused by unknown microorganisms."

In reply to a question from the audience, he said he sees "no place in nutrition for steamed bone meal."

Carcinogens in wax are water-soluble and milk companies are no longer using it in their cartons, he said.

but that breast-feeding develops a very intimate relationship between mother and child at once. And further, all the mother's love is not limited to the new baby, but spills over to the rest of the family!

"Menstruation, conception, pregnancy, childbirth, lactation—nothing but good can come from fulfilling functions of the body. The desire to be needed is fulfilled when Baby is fed. Warmth from the body, milk from the breast—these mean security for the baby. And of course, a baby needs more than food. The infant has been closely confined in the womb for nine months, its world has been protected, with the vibration of the mother's voice, the rhythm of her heartbeat his companionship. With entry into the world, the many strange sounds and sights, it's no wonder he cries frequently during the next few weeks even though dry and not hungry. By having him close during feeding periods, we can help prepare him emotionally for the life ahead. This is emotional security.

"The father is important to the newborn baby, but not in the same way as the mother. Indirectly, through the mother, he's important, giving her encouragement and moral support, perhaps telling skeptical relatives gently but firmly that baby doesn't need a formula; listening to mother when she is harassed, giving her his sympathy, attention, encouragement."

Mrs. Froelich advised against abrupt weaning, said the average baby when well fed at the table will drop feedings one by one. Most babies—but there are exceptions—are completely weaned at 18 months, she said.

Discussing La Leche League's method of introducing mothers to nutrition, Mrs. Froelich said mothers first are encouraged to use unbleached flour instead of white flour. Then they're encouraged to look at labels, "and once they're aware supermarkets don't have all the answers to nutrition, they're on the road," she emphasized.

"We encourage use of wheat germ, we were able to get a baker to bake bread for us without preservatives, and the demand is such that he now bakes three times a week. Practically our whole community uses it now. We also encourage mothers to substitute brown sugar, blackstrap, honey for white sugar. We think they should have fruits. And in meat, beef-heart is good in meatballs and hamburgers; brains are good. We also try to encourage mothers to avoid pasteurized cheese and milk."