GOBBLE THE GOOK DEPT.

Time was when we got food with our food. Nowadays, we're lucky if we get a little food with our chemicals. And we don't mean stuff like Mercury and DDT which sneaks in accidentally. We mean additives, preservatives, tenderizers, tougheners and all the other toxic garbage that's sneaked in deliberately. And with the blessings of the Food and Drug Administration, yet! Are all these chemicals harmful? Not necessarily. Although some are definitely dangerous if taken,

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How about a tasty glass of fruit juice to start? Of course, along with the juice, you'll be guzzling SODIUM CITRATE

CALCIUM PHOSPHATE
SODIUM CARRAGEENAN
FERROUS SULFATE
und

BUTYLATED HYDROXANISOLE

The salad's delicious, once you scrub off the DDT! But if you use a ready-made Salad Dressing, be prepared to absorb helpings of

POLYSORBATE-60
GUM TRAGACANTH
SORBIC ACID
and
CALCIUM DISODIUM EDTA

Need a pinch of salt? At no extra charge, you also get generous pinches of SODIUM SILICO

TRICALCIUM PHOSPHATE
ALUMINATE

end
POLYSORBATE-80

On to the Instant Mashed Potatoes which are just brimming with . . . GLYCEROL MONOSTEARATE

CALCIUM STEAROLY-2
DIGLYCERIDE
SODIUM PHOSPHATE
SODIUM SULFITE

PROPYLENE GLYCOL
and
BUTYLATED HYDROXYTOLUENE

Yum! There's nothing like a thick juicy steak! Especially when it's been tenderized with stuff like BROMELIN

PAPAIN and STILBESTROL

And if it's been treated for that "fresh meat" look, you also get SODIUM NITRITE

SODIUM SULFITE and SODIUM ASCORBATE

*OR SHOULD WE CALL IT "THE LAST SUPPER"?

as the FDA puts it, "in large quantities." And nobody really knows for sure if all this crud builds up in our bodies...or what the long-range effects will be. Anyway, MAD thinks you deserve an honest look at the whole picture-to see what's really "going down." All of the goodies below are a regular part of your daily diet. So tune up your taste buds, grab your chopsticks, and join us at the groaning board for fun and feasting as a special guest at...

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