

England: ~ 1850

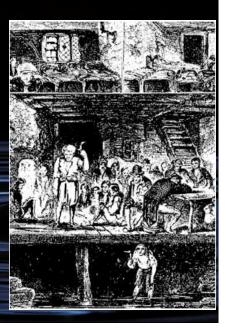
Sewers - Old English word for 'Seaward'

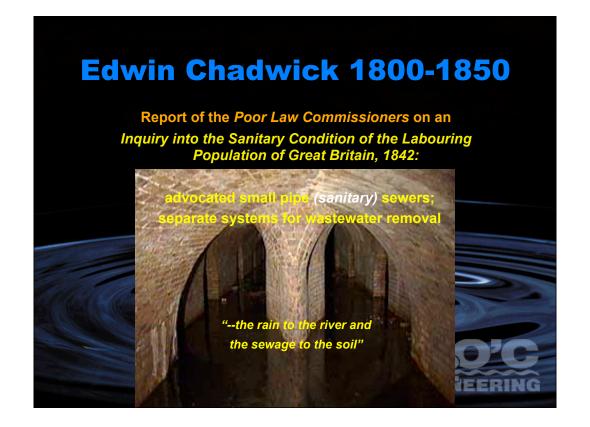
Cesspit beneath floors; overflow to streets London (1810): 200,000 cesspits/ 1 million

Windows sealed against 'Night Air', miasma a mix of coal smoke and sulfurous fog

Asphyxiation common due to hydrogen sulfide and oxygen deficiency; methane explosions

Reclaimed 'Night Soil' used as crop fertilizer; small children harvested cesspit wastes









Broad Irrigation to Fields:

Poor Law Commissioners of England 1842

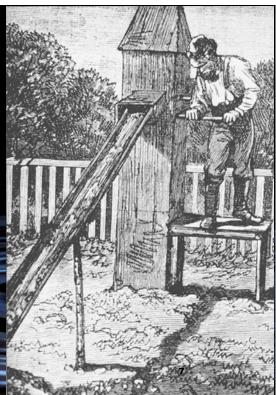
State Insane Asylum, Augusta, Maine 1875

(abandoned: resulted in clogged, stinky soils)

Western (arid) U.S.

Peas, beans, tomatoes, com, cabbage, alfalfa, fruit, ...

U.S. Sewage Farming ended ~1930



Meanwhile, in the former colonies, ...

... the rapid westward U.S. expansion led to increasingly sophisticated methods of Outhouse construction.

... technology for the Dunny, thunderbox, long drop, Biffy, Kybo*, backhouse, outbuilding, privy, a.k.a., Outhouse, was in its ascendency.



"When you are sleepy and it's time to go peepee there's a place to go... kybo
When you are droopy and it's time to go poopy there's a place to go... kybo

Just listen to the rhythm of the froggies in the toilet,

Even though it's smelly I am sure you will enjoy it

The lights are not on in there, but you forget all your worries,

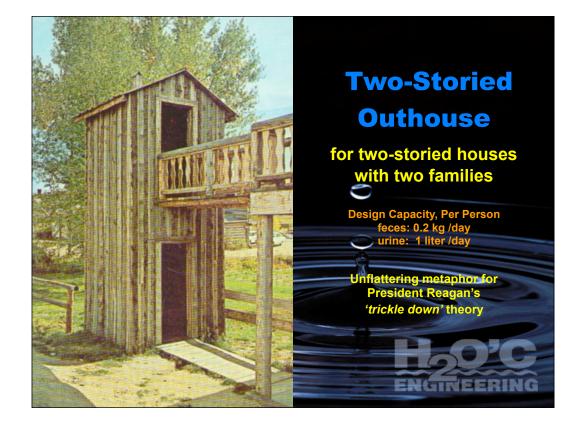
Forget all your cares ... in the kybo

Is not it fun to go... kybo" (to 'Downtown')

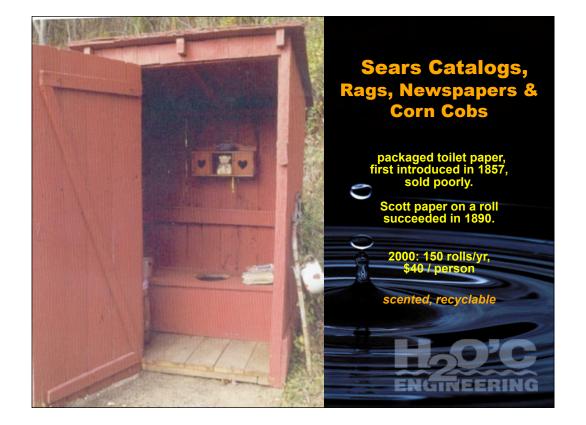




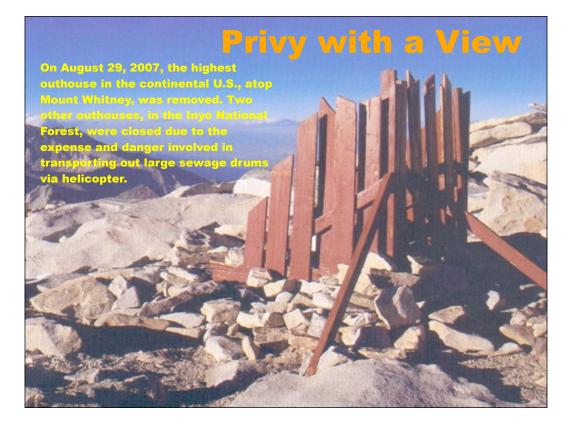


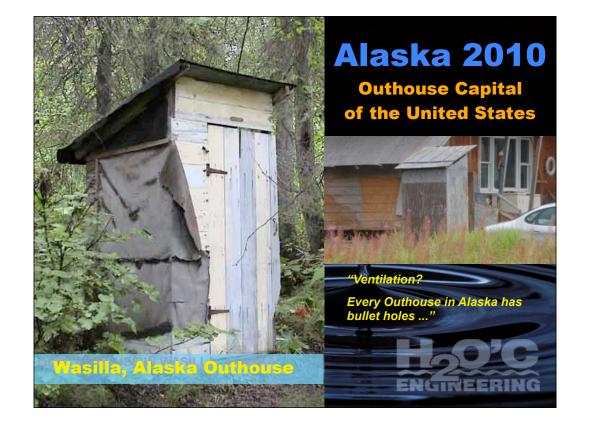












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