#### Qualms Soon Quieted

# Reporter Finds Bleat-Burgers Okay

Ever eat of bleat-burger? Ever drink goat's milk? Neither had the writer until Saturday aftermoon when he attempted what seemed to be an almost routine assignment by attending a buck show. A buck show is where owners of male goats bring their beasties to a designated place to be judged by I some person who knows a lot | about good goats.

The buck show was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Alexander, a few miles southeast of Norval. Mrs. Alexander is the proud owner of 86 Saanen goats. This buck show was sponsored by the Guelph Area Group of the Ontario Dairy Goat Society. for the purpose of bringing together (but not too close together) male goats to be judged by an expert on the animals, Mrs. Joan Durrant of Markham.

Altogether about 50 people, both owners and friends of goats and a few just curious to find out what a buck show really was, aftended from such distant places as Markham, Greenwood, Guelph, Burlington, Hamilton and Cainsville, as well as a few locals from Hornby and Acton.

One of the things that hit the writer's eye as soon as 'he arrived at the Alexander farm was the booth where-meals were being sold by the Guelph Area Group. The main item on the menu was bleata customer that the meat for these bleat-burgers was made from her

nine months old. . However, after gentle persuasion, a bleat-burger was ordered. paid for, dosed with the necessary trimmings (relish, garlic powder, catsup, salt and pepper) and again with a few qualms and thoughts of the poor little nine-month-old beastie, eaten.

Surprise Came Then came the surprise. For all the writer might have known, it might have been a basa-burgher. In other words, a burger made of lamb. It tasted just like lamb would have tasted had it been in the same position, nestled neatly inside that bun and covered with extras. Whilst the eating was still in progress, another customer (who had apparently eaten the stuff before) remarked that every time she ate bleat-burgers they tasted more and more like lamb.

Now the bleat-burger might have been a little dry if nothing had been provided to wash it down. Tea, coffee and goat's milk was on the menu, so why not go the whole hog? We mean whole goat.

"Could I have a glass of goat's milk, please?" the writer queried. In a minute he was peering at the milky substance in the paper cup in his hand. It looked like ordinary milk, so (without qualms this time), we took a good big mouthful. Nothing seemed unusual. We pass up a chance to get in on the swallowed it. Nothing unusual yet. judging too. So we tried and Then after the substance had par- | weren't too far wrong even if we tially made its way to the stomach. | didn't win the prize. As a matter a slight strong taste was noticed. of fact, the writer, who didn't know So we tried it again. The same re- any more about goats than about

We concluded that there was that way, did far better than some nothing different from this milk of the goat owners present. than the ordinary milk found in The prizes for the judging were any refrigerator, except for the awarded to Mrs. J. Leith of Guelph aint different taste in the throat after it had been swallowed.

(made with cow's milk) rounded town and David La Porte of Cainsout the meal. The price-15c for the ville in the yearling milker class. burger, 5c for the milk and 10c Wee Miss Hunter, everyone assumfor the pig and cow's milk ice ed must have won the competition cream. A very inexpensive meal to on a lucky guess. put down on the expense sheet.

we found more and more people the goats of Mrs. Charles Easter of arriving, most of them known to Hamilton and Mrs. Jean LaPorts of somebody in the place, and most Camsville each won one prize. The of them enjoying a bleat-burger prizes, a lead chain, some goat and a glass of milk or a cup of feed, blocks of salt and a box of coffee (with goat's milk in it) fly-killer, seemed very appropriate. while they waited for the show to Following the show, musical enter-

Soon the show did start and Mrs. | Tisdale and Miss Catherine Hunter. Alexander introduced the judge. | Margaret Alexander, 13, won a The judge very carefully inspected halter and chain for her essay on. and often ran her expert hands How I Earned my First Kid. She over various parts of the bucks has been a great help to Mrs. Albeing shown, and after announcing exander in looking after the daily her decision, gave the reasons for milking of the goats. her choices. Here came another! Goats are very valuable animals. interesting part of the show. We Were Lost

all condition, the bloom on the coat. | the reader that goats today are the size and shape of the chin and worth between \$40 and \$50, if you head, the finish, the conditioning, want to buy a milking doe Goat's the heartgirth, the spread of the milk is often recommended for toes, the straightness of the past- babies who have trouble digesting erns, the space between the ribs, cow's milk. The milk sells for and the level of the croop. Still about 50c a quart. with us? We were lost.

Later, because of the shortage of male goats at the judging show, fe- "They are the cleanest animals on male goats or does were brought the farm." Mrs. Alexander asserts out of Mrs. Alexander's pens. They If their feeds gets dirty, they will were judged too, and the only dif- not eat it. Pigs and cattle relish ference in judging was the udder what the goats refuse." The writer

most unusual things happened. A derway, while trying to make doe goat 'out in the pasture was friendly conversation' with a group word, by the way)... So she was pen, he almost lost a few fingers. brought into her pen in the huge After that experience, he thought yard to spread the word that mom- before could also be called chevonurally, the show was held up while for goat's meat used by Vancier most of the audience inspected the people than the ones who raise new arrivals. At the start of the goats. show, Mrs. Alexander had 83 goats. . As for the milk, goat's milk is an

climbed to 86. Durrant, the audience got a chance | stomach ulcers. It also has natural | to do some judging themselves. fluorine that helps bones and Four doe goats, were brought out | teeth. It is very easily digested on two different occasions and ev- since it is naturally homogenized. eryone was given a judging card To sum it up, the writer enjoyed to pick their goats, in the order his afternoon at the Alexander's in which they thought would win, and rest assured that the few Naturally, after trying bleat-bur- qualms he had before his meal gers and goat's milk, we couldn't were soon overcome.



burgers. Now the writer had a STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER had his eyes opened when he attended the buck judging show recently few qualms when he heard one of 1 at Mac Alexander's at Norval and was urged to partake of a cool glass of got s milk from the the ladies behind the counter tell Alexander goats and a "bleat-burger", the same thing as a hamburger only made out of the meat of goats. However, he tried one of both and enjoyed it. The above pictures taken at the show inwee fellows, slain when they were dicate just part of the goings-on during the aftern son-long show, judged by Mrs. Joan Durrant of Markham. A group of about 50 goat owners at tended.



why the Learning Tower of Pisa got

and Frank Barnes of Norval in the senior milking class, and to five-To top it off, pie and ice cream year-old Ellen Hunter of George-

The Alexander bucks won two of Glancing around whilst we ate. the four competition prizes, while tainment was given by Miss Sandra

We'll skip the old joke about not having to buy a lawn mower when Goats are judged on their over-, you have goats around, and inform

Clean Animals Goats are very clean animals, too. doubted this until it was explained During the show one of the to him, as before the show got undue to have kids that's the correct of seven lily-white goats tied in a

barn which houses Jersey cattle as they would eat anything put nearwell as goats. In 10 minutes, some- them but soon learned differently. one came running into the judging | The bleat-burgers referred to ma had given birth to triplets. Nat- burgers. Chevon is the fancy name

Within one hour the total had alkaline milk, thus the stronger taste than cow's milk. It is used in As well as the judging by Mrs. many case of arthritis, exzema and



-Staff Photo THREE NEW GOATS arrived on the scene while the buck show sponsored by the Guelph area group of the Ontario Dairy Goat Society was being held at the Norval farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Alexander. The goats didn't come in cars, trucks or trailers like the

very easily for the picture taken by the staff photographer who attended the event out of curiosity

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other goats did, either. They were born about midway in the show.

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Joined by Mrs. Heslop, he then proceeded to the downstairs recreation room where viewers had a glimpse of the junior soda bar, daughter Marilyn's doll collection, and the swimming pool where three girls were enjoying a swim. Son Rex Jr. was also introduced. People also were shown the ternace overlooking the valley and the scale model of Delrex which has been on view at various home shows and the trade fair.

Asking about the present tightening or mortgage money, Mr. Heslop opined that it is affecting Delrex like all building operations, and if it continues he foresees unemployment this winter.

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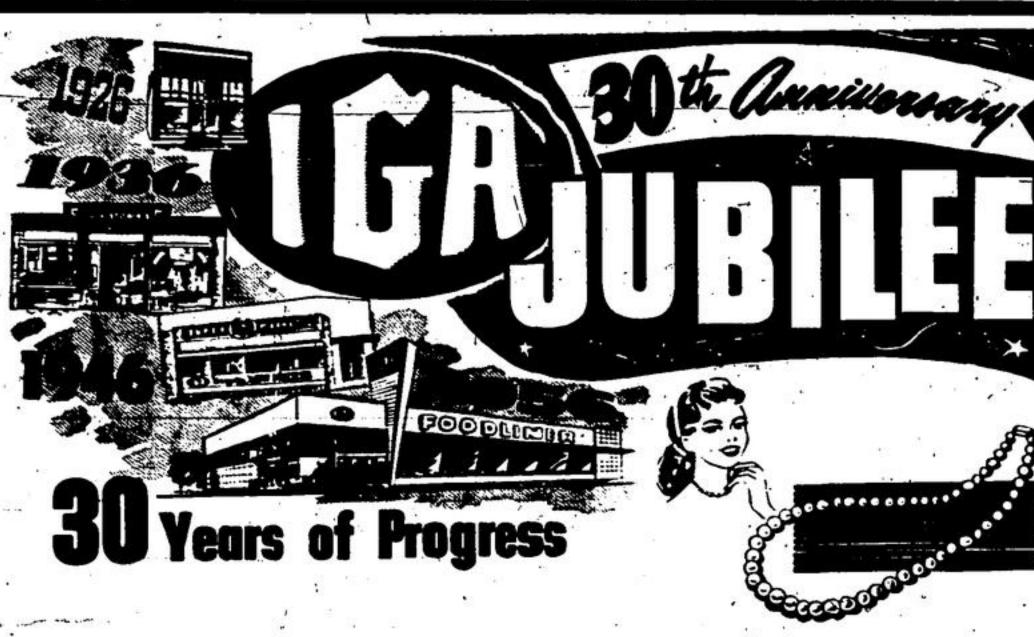
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