# Ida's Notebook

Ida Risser



Our early morning visit to the Aalsmeer Flower Markets was a dream come true for a flowerlover. I couldn't believe that there were as many colorful flowers as I saw on my one mile walk through part of a 32-acre building all under

Within 15 miles of being auc-

tioned, the roses are on their way to the airport to be sent all over the world. I managed to bring home a bouquet of miniature flame colored roses and baby breath which I bought for 3½ gilders.

We visited two farms near Amsterdam and both had 25 cow carousel milking parlors. One was

newly reclaimed land on which a Swiss farmer lived. He had all new buildings, including a very nice home. He was paid 16 cents a pound for milk and he bought soybean meal for \$280 per ton. Each year he pays the state \$120 per acre for his leased land.

The other place near Monickedam was a cheese farm where not only were 140 cows milked daily but also 140 goats. There were 24 goats in the parlor at one time. At this farm a methane generator was being built to produce electricity.

Many kinds of cheese were sold at the farm and I bought a delicious herb cheese that contained celery, chives, parsley, garlic and marjoram. A friend of mine from Holland translated the ingredients for me.

We drove through the new town named Lelystad that was built-in 1966. The houses had red tile roofs and all the windows had beautiful lace curtains.

The old town of Edam is famous

for its cheese and salt and at one time 30 shipbuilders lived there.

Our final evening meal together was held in a Chinese-Indonesian restaurant and was a joyous and sad occasion all at the same time. Our 2000-mile bus trip on the continent was over and we were gốing home.

We flew from Amsterdam to London the following morning. We left Heathrow Airport on a British Airways plane. And, as it was the

day of Prince Charles's wedding, all of the 426 passenger were given a complimentary drink. We flew at 33,000 feet for seven hours traveling 650 miles per hour. We were served a nice meal and for an extra charge could hear a movie that was shown.

Later, at the Kennedy Airport in New York, I anxiously waited for a plane to fly me to Philadelphia where my husband and daughter met at that night.

### Adams Beef Producers to meet

GETTYSBURG — The Adams County Beef Producers Association will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday, October 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the Adams County Extension Office.

The main business on the agenda will be the election of officers and directors for the coming year. All members are encouraged to at-





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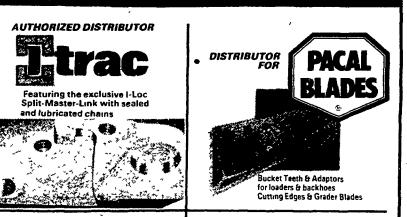
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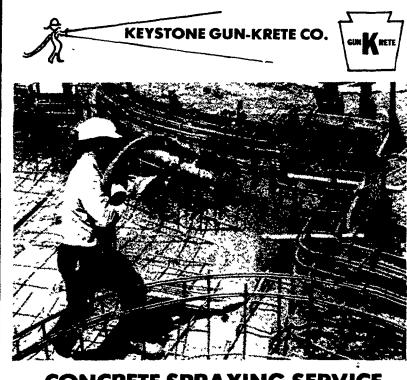
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