

Golden Glow Of Guernsey Milk Keeps Them Dairying

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NEWTOWN SQUARE (Delaware Co.) — Take a peak inside the cooling tank. From the surface, the telltale golden glow shimmers off the surface. The milk smells sweet and rich.

The golden glow of Guernsey milk has stood as a trademark for the breed and has sustained the livelihood of two dairy farmers in a not-so-farmlike county.

And they're caring for Guernseys not in the less populated counties of upstate Pennsylvania, but rather in an area literally flooded by expensive housing projects, huge business complexes, and numerous roadways feeding a busy metropolitan area.

In fact, the Liseter Farm, man-

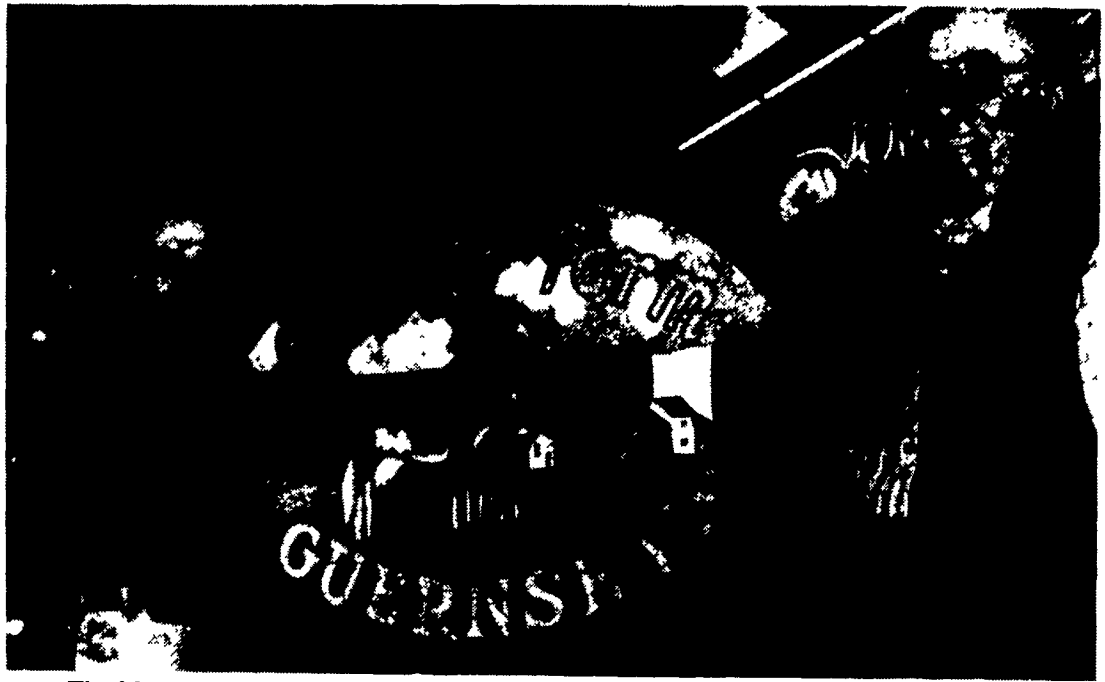
aged by R. K. "Bud" Hamilton and owned by John E. DuPont, is only one of three dairy farms left in the entire county.

Mainstay of farm

Bud Hamilton said that Guernseys have been the mainstay of the Liseter Farm since 1916. For years, the business, owned by Mrs. Jean L. A. DuPont, because of her affinity for the herd, remained a Guernsey farm — at one time managing about 500 head.

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The Liseter Farm, managed by R. K. "Bud" Hamilton, right and herdsman Bill Yapple, is only one of three dairy farms left in Delaware County. Here they hold up their farm sign in a large trophy room. For years, the DuPont Family, which owns the farm, showed prize Guernsey cattle and won many awards at fairs and the state farm show. Photo by Andy Andrews.



Liseter Farm recently purchased a load of pure alfalfa from Idaho, warehoused in Lebanon through the offices of a commodity organization. Hamilton said the hay "was almost too good." Unloading the hay is herdsman Bill Yapple.



With help from Guernsey farmer Bill Yapple (who moved from his own farm in Clearfield County), right, Bud Hamilton manages a small herd of 50 registered females (26 milking cows) on a total of 1,000 acres of land (300 tillable). Photo by Andy Andrews.

GRAIN, CATTLE AND HOG FUTURES MARKETS

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| | 12 05/29/92 | | | TECHNICAL COMMENTS | | Current | |
|------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------------------|--------|---------|------------|
| | High | Low | Close | High | Low | Support | Resistance |
| SPOT WHEAT | 3.5625 | 3.3475 | 3.495 | 3.70 | 3.48 | 3.38 | 3.67 |
| SEP WHEAT | 3.61 | 3.43 | 3.5425 | 3.73 | 3.53 | 3.4225 | 3.80 |
| SPOT CORN | 3.61 | 3.435 | 3.565 | 3.6525 | 3.46 | 3.23 | 3.68 |
| SEP CORN | 3.64 | 3.475 | 3.5675 | 3.7275 | 3.4975 | 3.475 | 3.71 |
| SPOT Soy | 3.75 | 3.605 | 3.725 | 3.72 | 3.55 | 3.55 | 3.90 |
| SPOT Corn | 2.64 | 2.52 | 2.595 | 2.6825 | 2.4925 | 2.48 | 2.70 |
| SEP Corn | 2.66 | 2.535 | 2.64 | 2.58 | 2.475 | 2.475 | 2.675 |
| Dec Corn | 2.69 | 2.545 | 2.66 | 2.62 | 2.4675 | 2.465 | 2.69 |
| SPOT Beans | 6.175 | 5.915 | 6.14 | 5.915 | 5.7325 | 5.90 | 6.40 |
| Aug Beans | 6.205 | 5.95 | 6.18 | 5.9525 | 5.775 | 5.96 | 6.28 |
| Nov Beans | 6.31 | 6.055 | 6.2725 | 6.06 | 5.87 | 6.01 | 6.41 |
| SPOT Meal | 184.20 | 179.20 | 183.20 | 179.90 | 174.40 | 173.00 | 202.00 |
| SPOT Bnoil | 21.42 | 20.34 | 21.29 | 20.20 | 19.52 | 19.40 | 23.00 |
| SPOT Livct | 73.185 | 71.55 | 71.92 | 74.85 | 72.50 | 70.30 | 74.54 |
| Aug Livct | 70.325 | 68.985 | 69.47 | 71.075 | 68.55 | 68.26 | 70.59 |
| SPOT Fedct | 76.10 | 74.70 | 75.25 | 78.70 | 77.30 | 74.85 | 79.00 |
| SPOT Livhg | 47.835 | 46.70 | 46.95 | 48.90 | 47.15 | 45.00 | 49.25 |
| Jul Livhg | 45.70 | 44.835 | 45.00 | 46.935 | 45.335 | 43.85 | 46.63 |
| SPOT PKBLS | 35.035 | 32.10 | 32.27 | 36.55 | 33.50 | 30.00 | 38.90 |

