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Note: Division of states is indicated by first 3 digits of zip code.

#### LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT:

I must begin by thanking all concerned for the response both to the recent election of Directors and to news items for the Bulletin. Most gratifying indeed!

Region 1 has re-elected Rosemary Rieman to a full term as their director. Out of 24 ballots, 19 were returned with a count of 12 for Rosemary and 7 for Jim Mitchell.

There was no response from Region 2.

Region 3 again elected John Hays as their director. Out of 22 ballots sent, 6 were returned, all for John.

Region 7 returned 5 votes, all for Marcia Read.

Region 9 returned 4 votes, all for Sophia Stillerman.

Region 11, out of 15 ballots, returned 7 with a count of 6 for Russ Berry and 1 for Eric Lawlor.

Congratulations, all, and a special welcome to our three <u>new</u> directors; Marcia Read of Claysville, PA, Sophia Stillerman of Middletown, NY and Russ Berry of Portland, Ontario. We look forward to seeing all of you again in June at the 1986 annual meeting. Speaking of which, we have the following communication from Eric Lawlor who is hosting this year:

#### " Dear ADCA Member:

We look forward to welcoming you to the 1986 ADCA Annual Meeting, June 20 to 22 at Guelph, Ontario. Guelph is in Ontario's agricultural heartland and is home of the oldest and most prestigious Agricultural University in Canada. Yet it is only 45 minutes from Pearson International airport in Toronto, the province's capital.

We shall begin the meeting with registration and a get-together Friday evening. Saturday will be very busy with farm visits including a couple of educational programs on farm, and, the formal meeting. Sunday will conclude with the directors' meeting and visits to farms further away for those who can make it.

The invited guests for the program and the hotel will be confirmed in the near future and you will be informed in upcoming bulletins.

For people who are flying into the Toronto airport and do not want to rent a car I can arrange for you to be picked up at the airport, but I shall need lots of notice.

If you have any questions please contact me at:

3135 Bartholomew Crescent Mississauga, Ontario L5N 3K9 (416) 824-1866

I look forward to seeing many of you in June.

Regards, Eric P Lawlor

We hope that you all had a holiday season full of happiness, joy and peace, and that your New Year will indeed be prosperous, providing you with an ever-increasing number of Dexters to be introduced to an unknowing world!

James G Johnson
President

#### REPORT FROM THE PACIFIC REGION

In early November George & Cathy Walker drove down to Talisman Farm from Hoquiam, Washington with their pick-up truck to take delivery of a nice little halter-broken 4 1/2 month old heifer, Talisman May. They departed northbound Saturday afternoon and arrived home about 7:00 pm Sunday and report that May's deportment during the entire trip was excellent.

Interestingly enough, George's father, many years ago, was the largest Dexter breeder in the western United States and a member of the Board of Directors of the then American Dexter Cattle Association. His herd was located at Cloverleaf Ranch, Calimesa, CA, and George's present ranch at Hoquiam, where May now resides with two or three other Dexters, is also named Cloverleaf Ranch. George has sent us a brochure used by his father which includes a picture of George as a youngster perched astride the neck of a Dexter bull. A Cloverleaf cow is therein reported as having produced 9,010 lbs of milk and 383 lbs of butterfat at the age of seven years.

Best wishes to all for a prosperous and gratifying New Year!

John Hays, Regional Director

#### REPORT FROM THE MID-SOUTH REGION

Our Dexters have been through an unusual malady this past summer. WARTS! It hit four heifers and one steer we raised for the freezer. I had read in the past that, left alone they would clear up after a time. Well, I did just that until some of them got so unsightly I could hardly look at them. I talked to a retired dairyman friend and he suggested I talk to a Vet about it.

That is when things began happening. I took one in and he cut off some warts and sent the culture in to the State Veterinary Lab where a vaccine was grown. The culture had to come from my place to be sure to get the particular virus causing the warts.

It took about 3 weeks to get the vaccine and then each affected animal got 2 shots two weeks apart. It took about 4 more weeks for the skin to clear up. This virus does not affect the animal's health, rate of gain or anything - except its appearance or the hide if it is to be used for leather.

I became interested and read several articles on warts. A few excerpts follow:

"The medical name for this virus is Cutaneous Papillomatosis and occurs in cattle, sheep, goats, horses, rabbits, fish and humans. It is world wide and is more common in cattle less than 2 years of age and housed in close contact. The neck, legs, back and abdomen are most apt to be affected. The warts can be of various sizes with some cauliflower-like in appearance. If left untreated they may last from one to twelve months.

Another method of treatment that has recently come into use is dry nitrogen - the same as your dermatologist uses to remove warts or moles from the human body."

In any event it is something I'd rather not go through again,

FLASH TO ALL REGION 4 MEMBERS!!!! Mark your new calendar for the last Saturday in March 1986. Our annual Region 4 meeting is to be held at Bill Pierott's ranch cabin at Giddings, TX. You will be advised of details by mail at a later date.

Dan Harrell, Director

News items and ads for the Spring Bulletin should be in by February 28th. Small pictures are best, if possible.

# REPORT FROM THE CENTRAL STATES REGION

Young Larry Stutzman received for his birthday last November something entirely different from the Holstein dairy cows seen all around the Millersburg area in Ohio. Larry's father, Levi, presented him with his very own calf - a little Dexter heifer named Deidre o' Briar Hill. At last report, everyone was in love with her.

Frank & Neisha Klein had a nice newspaper article written on their farm and cows. We hope their dream of an all-Dexter Dairy will come true for them.

Now, for our unusual visitors. Lewis Van Ord and his wife Helen visited us last fall looking for young male Dexters for oxen. Lewis wants to have the largest and the smallest ox teams in the world as well as a 10-hitch Dexter ox team. He left us a newspaper picture of his 6-ox Dexter team, but it is a bit large to run here. Wish we had met him before the last general meeting!

Lois Johnson, Richfield, Ohio

## REPORT FROM THE SOUTHEAST REGION

Rex and Bea Kramer have certainly been busy! When Rex got back to Florida after attending the ADCA Meeting last June, he started a program to organize his Region, taking a survey of breeders, number of Dexters owned and attempting to find a suitable time for the First Region 6 meeting. He and Bea also visited New Zealand, hoping to see Dexters there and also to promote them.

## REPORT FROM THE NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND REGION

Greetings from Vermont! We enjoyed meeting many of you at the annual meeting in Cleveland.

We have had a beautiful fall foliage season again. It was 22 degrees this morning so winter is on its way. Each fall, after I make 2 crops of hay and our vegetable garden is finished, I put up a temporary fence at our field along the road. Many "leaf-peepers" as they are called here stop and take pictures of our Dexters and sheep. Some are quite shocked when they take ahold of the woven nylon fence which is electrified. It works very well and is easy to put up and take down.

On October 16th'85 Nick and Timothy Hancock from South Africa stopped in to see my Dexters. They have a herd of about 30 Dexters. They bred and raised the champion cow and bull of their province. Also they recently purchased the South African National Champion bull. They said they breed the "beefier" type similar to mine, and thought I had a fine bull. Their cows are milked once a day. The calves nurse all day, then are penned up in the evening. The cows are milked in the morning giving about 4 quarts each. They take herd improvement seriously. An inspector comes around once a year and looks at their cattle. If they do not meet Dexter standards they cannot be registered. This is true of all breeds. Should we be thinking about this?

Wilmer Schmell, Director

#### REPORT FROM THE CANADIAN REGION

We have heard by the grapevine that Kathy and Charles Lovejoy of Sidney, BC have inported 3 Dexters from England - 2 black heifers and a red bull - and that they and their Dexters are to be written up in the ARK, possible December or January issue!

HELLO ALASKA Sorry I didn't have you in Region 3 where you presently belong! There was a nice newspaper article on Paula and Allen Cook of Willow. Paula also sent a letter with lots of interesting ideas, one of which is the % Registry which has been considered and vetoed, but perhaps should be considered from an Alaskan point of view?

Both the Cooks in Willow and the Kraxbergers in Soldotna Alaska have semen from Jamie O'Callen to perpetuate their herds.

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## IDAHO

2 Red Bulls for sale, 6 mos and 16 mos of age respectively.

> Jean Speas R R 6 Box 244 Blackfoot, ID 83221 (208) 785-0612

#### MINNESOTA

Dexters for sale, both males and females.

Kay Baker R R 4 Box 313 Rochester, MN 55904 (507) 289-2836

#### MISSOURI

Shome Cairin, Reg #2341 now for sale, bred, due to produce her 4th calf in March. Black.

Dean Fleharty 1710 Shelby Higginsville, MO 64037 (816) 584-2714

\* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* \* 6 Females for sale, ADCA Registration Nos: 1483, 1485, 1696, 1988, 2857 & 2968

As a group, priced at \$2250.00. Will sell individually, also.

> Jim Mitchell Rt #2 Box 71 Paris, MO 65275

#### MONTANA

3-yr old bull for sale, Shydaferd, #2859

Othniel Seaver 2719 Alpenglo Stevensville, MT 59870 (406) 777-2844 

#### OHIO

Dexter cows and bulls for sale. Also, young stock sired by #2517, Cranworth Pilgrim, and calving to begin in February sired by Brian O' Briar Hill, #2480.

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#### OREGON

Bull #2962 Ringo of Rogue, 5/27/85. Tame and charming.

Joseph Boyko 2925 Wards Creek Rd Rogue River, OR 97537 (503) 582-1188

#### WISCONSIN

June '85 short-legged bull calf now available.

Al Lesko N 399 Mt Hope Rd Brodhead, WI 53520 (608) 897-4855

#### NORTH DAKOTA

Bull calves \$400 Bred cows \$600 Can be delivered.

> Melvin Pierce Rt 2, Box 27 Scranton, ND 58653 (701) 275-8291

Fair and 4-H Exhibitors especially note: Caps with lettering or decal \$2,50

T-Shirts with lettering

For further information, contact: Rosemary Rieman Route 1

4.00

Allison, Iowa 50602 (319) 267-2753 

Bernadine and Virginia Hirth of Mt Carmel Acres, Rt 3, Box 111, Aurora, IN 47001 have submitted the following recipes as a use for your extra milk:

#### YOGURT

Heat I or more qts Dexter milk to 180°F Cool to 118°F

Mix in with milk contents of yogurt culture from health food store.

Pour into warm containers - we use widemouth qt canning jars.

Place jars on yogurt heating element and cover with towel.

Incubate at 1050-1150F until milk has set (4 - 6 hours)

Place yogurt in refrigerator.

Note: For a firmer yogurt, before heating add 3 tbsp milk powder. For succeeding batches use 3 tbsp of newest yogurt for cul- \* ture. Renew culture monthly.

# COTTAGE CHEESE

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Add I teaspoon sea salt and I crushed,

dissolved Rennet tablet to 1 gallon or more

of lukewarm sweet Dexter milk.

Stir thoroughly.

Pour into stainless steel container and cover

with towel.

Let stand in a warm place until set.

Cut the curd with a table knife. \*

Line a stainless steel colander with cheese

\* cloth and pour curd into colander. Let drain.

Let drain.

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Add sweet cream and season to taste.

#### DEXTER SEMEN AVAILABLE FOR A. I.

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Collected From:

Jamie O'Callen #1949

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(216) 659-4861

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Marnell's Black Magic #1804

Thomas's Dexters

Clarno Rt #2

Fossil, OR 97830

(503) 763-4606

Collected From:

Aldebran Priapus #2544 All British imported bull. Property of Eric Lawlor Order From:

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Michigan Livestock Service 110 N Main St Ovid, MI 48866

Price - \$15.00 straw + shipping & handling. Semen guaranteed - money refunded if bulldog calf results.

Magnetic Signs

White signs with black lettering. "Dexter Cattle" on one line and choice of your name or farm name on 2nd line. 12"x20" size, \$28.00 pr. 12"x24" size \$30.00 pr. plus UPS shipping cost. If there is enough interest, we could get a discount off these prices. Contact:

Rosemary Rieman Route 1 Allison, IA 50602 (319) 267-2753

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