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'HAVE YOU EATEN TODAY?'

Norbert Hirschhorn

It may be an urban myth -- that there are children who've never seen a cow and who think that hamburger is manufactured in a back room of Kowalski's, wrapped in cellophane, bar-coded and ready to go.

It's no myth, sadly true, that in all my life I've only stayed overnight once on a working farm. Both the child and I illustrate how estranged we urbanites **have** become -- from the land that produces what we eat, from farmers and ranchers (endangered species!).

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