

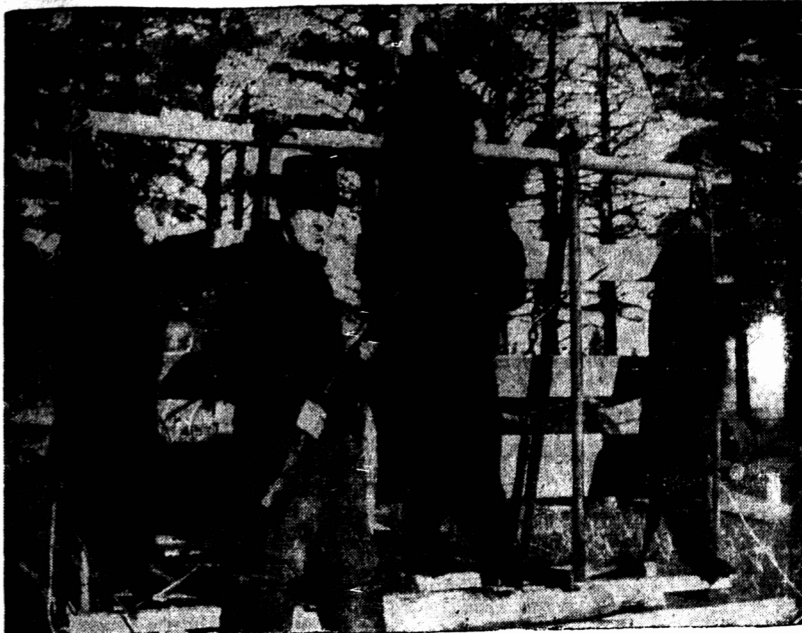
LIFE ON THE FARM ILLUSTRATED



The cool temperate climate of Vancouver Island and certain portions of B. C. mainland, made particularly suitable for the production of delicate bulbs imported from Holland. Picture shows a large field of tulips making up part of the fast-growing bulb industry on the west coast.



In the nursery rhyme Mary had only one little lamb, but little Mary Morden, one-year-old, has triplet lambs to play with at her father's farm near Toronto. The triplet lambs were born on the farm of H. W. Morden, Jr., February 17. Here, Mary and her three lively playmates get together atop the kitchen table.



These three bears were shot in one week-end by rake is six feet high and the female bear weighed Mr. D. E. MacHardy of Kirkmont, N. S. The buck 300 lbs. and the two cubs 100 lbs. each.



Harassed British housewives find one bright spot in the food picture in the vegetable market. The supply is plentiful, which is fortunate, as the contrast of scarcity in other foodstuffs makes the task of getting nourishing family meals quite difficult.



Triplets in cattle are rarer than in humans. These three were born to a purebred Holstein cow in the herd of Frank Sharp, Brantford, Ont. Daughter Betty is taking charge of these healthy youngsters.



What are the points that the Canadian grower must think of? The first is to produce quality seed? Once a new variety is released for production, it must be kept true to name. The Canadian Seed Growers' Association has set up standards which, if followed religiously, will result in keeping the variety reasonably true to name. The principal thing in these regulations is isolation distances. Beans, peas and lettuce may be grown within 25 feet of another variety without any danger of crossing. Tomatoes require 100 feet separation; eggplant and pepper 150 feet; and asparagus, carrots, onions, leeks, radishes, parsnips, cabbage, cauliflower, and Brussels sprouts, 1-4 mile; beets 3-4 mile; sweet corn 1-2 miles; and spinach—Popeye's specialty—about 1-4 mile.

In annual flowers, there are several outstanding new varieties. There is Colossal Shades of Rose, a silver medal winner in the All-American trials. This is the first large all double petunia produced in America. With its flowers of four and a half inches in diameter, it is worthy of any gardener's effort. Bright Eyes Petunia—All-American bronze winner in 1945—is a remarkable fine uniform petunia of the dwarf compact habit and extremely floriferous. Think of a more compact Rosy Morn and you have a good picture of what Bright Eyes looks like. The third All-American winner in 1946 is Peach Red Petunia which received Honorable Mention. Here is a new color in petunias. It is a deep salmon suffused light red. The plants are hybrid and compact type being only seven to nine inches tall.

The only new vegetable in 1946 to merit attention is Longgreen. It is a green snap bean, longer than Tendergreen, is round in shape and high table quality. Up till now the cost of hybrid vegetable seed has limited their use. However, the cost of field operations, such as pollinating tomatoes shown in the picture above, is being reduced and it is expected that even large



scale planting with hybrid seeds will soon be profitable.

The picture at right demonstrates the enormous strides recently made in flower breeding. This all-double petunia, Colossal Shades of Rose, is 4 1-2 inches in diameter.



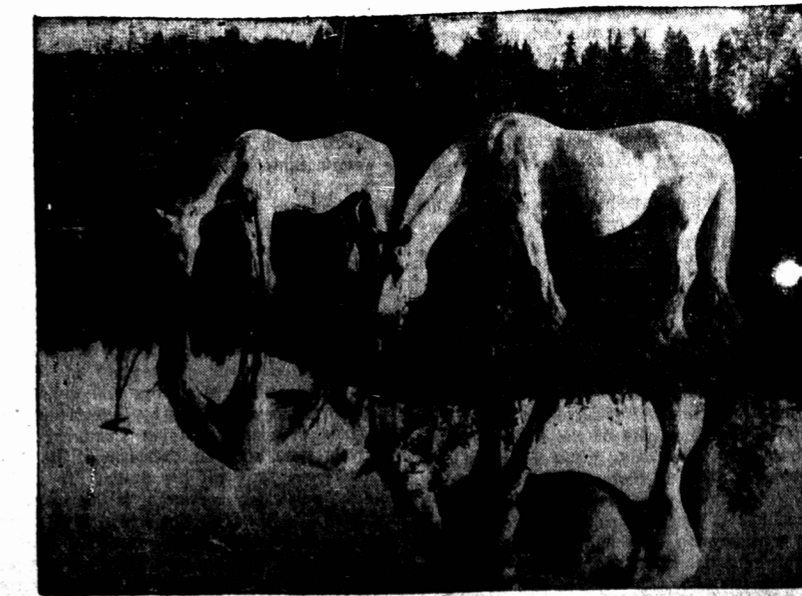
The 1946 model covered-in sleigh was made by Mr. Peter F. Reichert, Cosina, Sask. It has seating accommodation for six passengers and consists of double gear for smooth sliding. It is equipped with beam headlights and inside light and electric defrosters; also a baggage trunk at the back.



Top: Jack Knareboro, Castor, lines up the five horses that brought him \$905. In overcoat is President Wm. Strick of Stettler Horse Sale. Second: W. O. Scott, Nanton, sold this team at the sale top of \$600. The buyer, Alec Pico of Pickering, Ont., holds the horses. Third: Auctioneer Archie Boyce shows the team sold at \$460 to top the Clydesdales for Pat Regan, Olds. Bottom: Mr. and Mrs. George Holton, Okotoks, hold their top Belgian team that sold at \$225.



Although the port of Montreal is frozen solid these days, agents of the French Supply Mission in Canada are hard at work buying horses for shipment via the port of Portland, Maine. These pictures were taken down at the Montreal Stockyards recently and show the inspectors of the Supply Mission passing on some very excellent Percherons. These horses are branded on the hoot and the shoulders.



This picture was taken on the farm of Mrs. Nell McInnes, near Sullivan, British Columbia. Nature has provided the extras for this beautiful setting in the way of reflections in the swimming hole. The picture upside-down loses none of its charm.