

LIFE ON THE FARM ILLUSTRATED



Collecting is fun as well as being an interesting hobby. People collect everything from book match covers to beer mugs and come out with some surprising collections. Here are a few of the 700 penguins belonging to one collector. The large wooden board atop the penguin-filled cabinet is a bread-board, hand carved for the owner who refuses to use it for that plobian purpose!



One of the most fascinating industries in Canada, tobacco-growing, has just begun another crop year. The indication is that, with good weather and luck, the 1946 flue-cured or cigarette crop can be the largest in history. Last year's yield in Ontario was over 70,000,000 pounds and worth more than \$30 million to the growers. Most of the growers are in Norfolk county although the industry is spreading to the Port Hope area in eastern Ontario and experimental growing is under way near Barrie.

Among the Norfolk growers are Mr. and Mrs. Clare Huffman. While her husband was overseas, winning the D. O. M., Mary, his wife, worked in the tobacco harvest. This year they have moved into a little stucco house on a tobacco farm at Teeterville, north of Delhi, and will "share-crop" the farm for Archie Vanderbush. The war hero will be the "share-man." His will be the responsibility for getting out the crop, seeding, transplanting, caring for the growing tobacco and supervising the workers hired for the harvest. Mr. Vanderbush provides the farm, the equipment and the materials and will split the proceeds



with ex-Sergeant Huffman of the Argyle and Sutherland Regiment.

With a reasonable break in the weather and with hard work during the next six months by the devoted Huffmans, it should be a profitable and fascinating experience in an industry in which, within the last quarter century Canada has not only become self-sufficient but is now ready to export. Naturally, this extraordinary expansion, especially during the labor shortage of the war years, created special problems, which are being steadily met. Noted the influential Simcoe Reformer: "In spite of all its troubles in the past, the tobacco industry continues to grow." And to the enterprising Delhi News-Record, this year represents "one of the brightest outlooks in the history of the industry."

In the picture on the left, Mrs. Huffman graphically compares the amount and expense of seed needed to start a good-sized tobacco crop on its way. In the picture on the right, she is shown with her soldier-husband. In their "share farm" at Teeterville, they look forward to finding one young Canadian couple's solution to the problem of rehabilitation.



Little Donnie Steigerwald's parents have been told that they must get rid of Donnie's pet cocker spaniel, black-eyed Sugar, or vacate their Pittsburgh home which is part of a Federal housing project. Donnie, who is only one and a half, couldn't talk back to the Federal officials, but he just about cried his heart out. Sugar's eyes almost popped at the prospect of being separated from his pal.



Piggings, such as these, never have to worry about rationing—there is always enough to go around, providing you get there before the rush, of course. These pigs belong to Mr. J. Young of Vanderhoof, B.C.



CARDING



This pig was raised on the farm of Mr. Harris Cook, of New Canada, N. S., and weighed 475 lbs. when killed. The butcher had quite a bit of trouble lugging the hunk of pork around.



SPINNING



Snapped at the annual meeting of the Quebec Holstein Friesian Association were, left to right: H. Leisje, secretary-treasurer; C. C. Haviland, Wilsonville, Ont., president Canadian Holstein-Friesian Association; W. A. Hodge, St. Laurent, Quebec Holstein Association; R. F. Sabourin, livestock superintendent, Quebec; A. Stevensten, representing The Netherlands Government; H. G. Bols, Co-operative Federate; G. M. Clemons, secretary-manager of the Canadian Holstein-Friesian Association, and Rev. Abbe Godin, Teeterville, former president of the Quebec Association.



Mr. Herbert Brien, Botsford Portage, N.B., and "P" is of the Dutton strain and the sire was ten months old calf which weighs 755 lbs. purchased from Mr. E. H. Horne, Enfield, N. S.



DYEING

Miss Margaret MacPherson of Toronto says that she can think of no article for which wool could not be used in furnishing an attractive home. Woolcraft, she believes, is one of the most constructive, inspiring and interesting hobbies in existence. And what starts out as a hobby not infrequently becomes a profitable business. Above, Miss MacPherson demonstrates three processes in preparing wool.

NOVEL BANNED

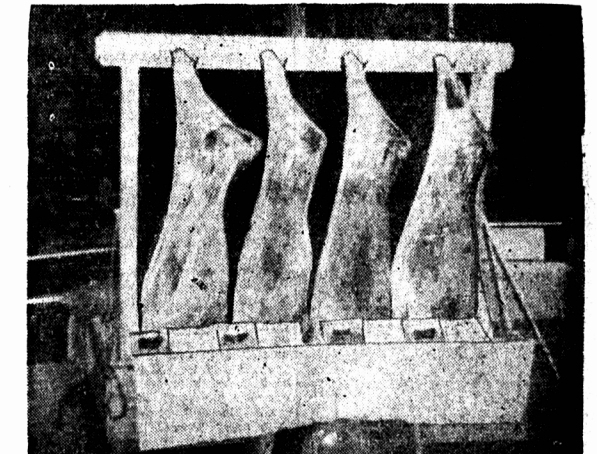
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (CP)—The historical novel, "Forever Amber," by U. S. writer Kathleen Windsor, has been banned in the Union of South Africa. This is the first banning of a popular book since Stuart Cloete's "Turning Wheel."



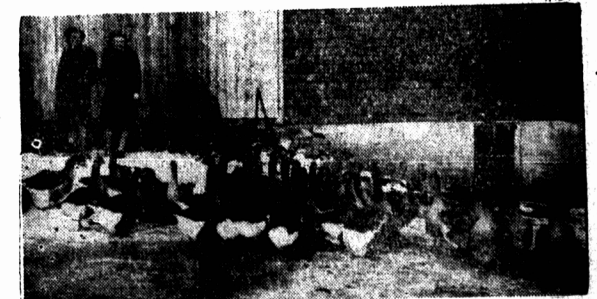
At the birth of spring a baby gibbon at the Bronx Zoo, New York, is a victim of that familiar malady—spring fever. But the zoo's keeper will have Junior well in no time. He is feeding it spring tonic, Mama Susie, the white handed gibbon looks on with a "better you than me" expression.



Ross Johnston, of Lindsay, Ont., for the last month has been raising a Holstein heifer calf with a goat. The goat freshened in March. The kids were sold and the calf put on her. Different farmers thought it would be impossible to get the calf sucking the goat but the calf is doing fine. The calf is also fed clover hay, and drinks clear water.



Nicely wrapped in cellophane the four champion carcasses at the recent Regina Fat Stock show were wheeled into the sale ring to give everybody a good look at them. They are graded Red brand.



Of these 48 geese, 45 are purebred Toulouse geese, on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Dow Gordon, Mouth Kaswick, N. E.



Left: Grand champion Shorthorn bull at the Regina Stock Show and sale was shown by J. D. Sons, Marsden, and sold for the top price of the Bull, Swift Current; right, the Reserve grand champion Hereford bull was shown by J. S. Palmer and Sons, Marsden, and sold for the top price of the sale, \$1,700.



Pittodrie Upright, red Shorthorn bull, bred by R. Laidlaw Smith, was supreme champion at Perth Shorthorn show and sale, Scotland, and sold for the world record price of £15,225 (almost \$47,000 at current rates) to R. E. Smith, rancher of Missouri.