



DINNER TIME FOR THE TWINS and Ginger doesn't seem to mind a bit. J. Earl Horst, New Holland R2, at the halter is glad the colts are old enough to help themselves. Feeding with an eye dropper was a hard job, but the babies were too small and weak to eat by themselves after birth four weeks ago. L. F. Photo.

### ● Twin Colts

(Continued from Page 1) first few days, and the foals were put on a supplemental diet of cow's milk.

Horst said, "The little rascals ate about every five minutes the first day. I didn't get much done but take care of the colts that Friday."

When Horst saw that Ginger had delivered twins, he called the New Holland veterinarian, Dr. Warren Piersol.

"Piersol said, 'I'll be right out I never saw that before,'" Horst reported. He came right out and gave both colts a shot for lockjaw.

The vet made a second trip to the farm about a week later when the twins came down with colds, but another injection cleared up the trouble, and the twins gained strength. Now they frisk about the pasture with their mother and make a great show of nibbling small bits of grass and kicking up their heels at each other in mock combat.

Horst, who milks 30 head of Holsteins, "to pay for the ponies", has been in the pony business for seven years and has raised seven foals besides the twins.

He bought Ginger from Reed Kinzer, owner of Keystone Hatchery, Creek Hill Road, with the understanding that Kinzer would pay the stud fee and get one foal.

"When I told him there was one for each of us, he wouldn't believe it," Horst said. "We are going to breed her to the

same stallion, Robin Firecracker, owned by Mrs. J. Frank Zeigler, Red Lion, and hope for a filly I don't know what we will do with the twins, but I don't want to see them separated."

The sorrel stallion put his marking on both the colts. Both are light sorrels with light mane and undersides of the tail. One has white blaze

and white stocking on one foreleg while the other has one white rear foot. Ginger, a dark bay, had three foals in previous years.

Horst said the farm has become quite a tourist attraction in the past few weeks as people drive past just to get a look at the unusual exhibition of one colt nursing at each side of the patient mare.



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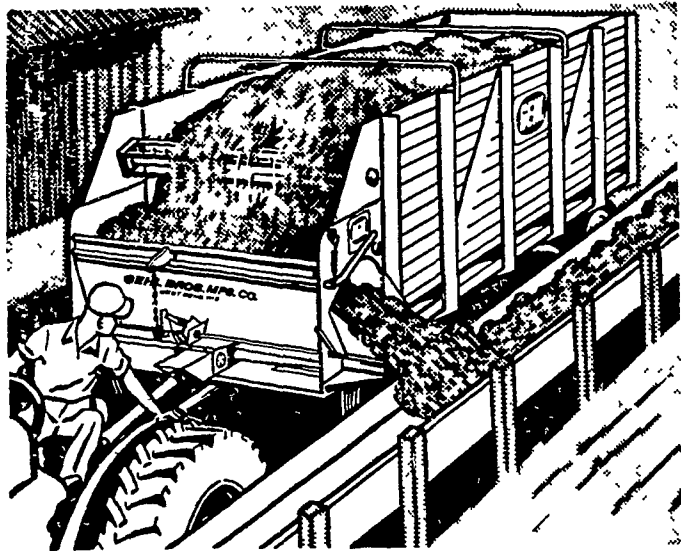
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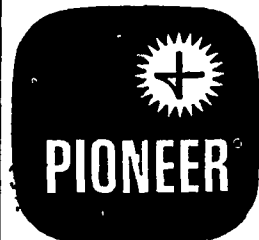
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