

Robin Meadows Farm 'shepherds' modern techniques

BY HAROLD SHELLY
FOREST GROVE — The birth of quadruplet lambs is even a rarity on the Robin Meadows Farm of Bill and John Rockafellow, Buckingham Township, where the 100-ewe flock produces some 160 to 175 lambs a year.

The four youngsters were born to a Suffolk crossbred ewe and are reported to be doing very well by the Rockafellows.

Approximately 20 of the best

lambs are kept each year for replacements and 10 of the poorest ewes are culled so that the herd is increasing annually. Suffolk, Dorset and crossbred animals make up the flock.

Lambs that are not sold for the holiday markets are raised for the freezer trade and butchered when they reach 100 pounds. The goal of the farm is to reach this weight

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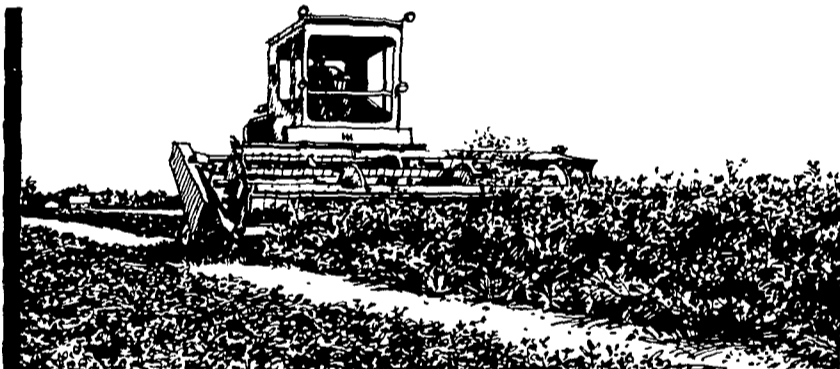


Bill and John Rockafellow work together in lamb pen of Robin Meadows Farm.



Part of ewe flock is shown on Robin Meadows Farm.

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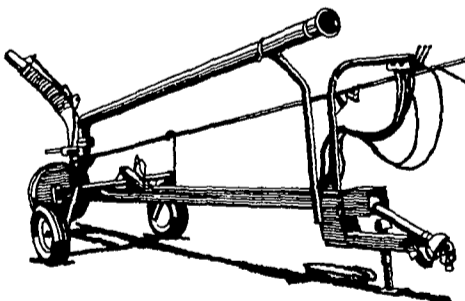
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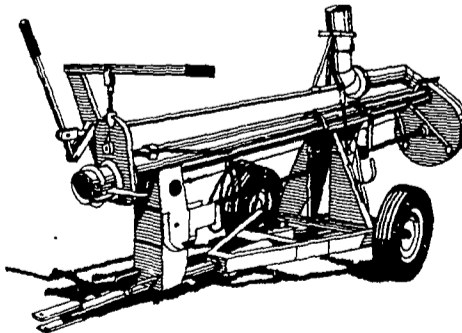


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