

Come in, fellas, let's play—

Musk Ox Opens Door With Nose; Invites Friends to Play Around

The latest thing to come out from the Musk Ox Experimental Farm three miles out from the University of Alaska on Yankovich Road, was that one of the males of the 32 oomingmaks has learned to open the barn door.

"It's a sliding door and one of the males simply opened it with his nose," said Prof. John J. Teal in charge of the farm.

It is now common knowledge that the musk ox is an intelligent animal and quick to learn, as animals go.

When asked how intelligent they were, Prof. Teal said, "As a land animal, I

think they would compare very well with the porpoise, a marine animal that is well known to be very intelligent."

Would they learn to do tricks?

"I'm sure they would. They're very clever animals," said Teal.

What happened in the barn after the oomingmak opened it.

"He apparently invited his friends and they played around in there."

How long did they play in there?

The Professor answered, smiling, "It was long enough because the pipes froze in the barn."