



**MUSK OX SKULLS**—Lansing Holden of the Institute of Northern Agricultural Research, Vermont, is holding a set of musk ox horns found on the tundra on Ellesmere Island deep in the Canadian Arctic. Complete musk ox skull is shown in the foreground. Fifteen skulls were picked up and brought back to

Vermont for scientific study after the expedition completed the musk ox calf capture on the remote island to start a breeding stock at Old Fort Chimo near Ungava Bay in Canada. The story of the expedition ran last week in the Tundra Times.

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**MUSK OX CALF ELUDES LASSO**—John Teal, Jr., upper right corner of the picture, has just thrown a lasso to rope the musk ox calf, lower right hand shown leaping toward a full-grown musk ox bull. In last Friday's story about the expedition to Ellesmere Island to capture calves, Teal says, "It was necessary to drive the animals into a gully and rope the calf

hoping one did not slide into the adults that would have quickly killed us." Bunched-up fluffy mass on the shoulders of the bull is the unshed qiviut, a valuable fleece of the musk ox worth about \$50 per pound. A full-grown animal sheds about six pounds.

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**MUSK OXING BY HELICOPTER**—Helicopter swoops in to attempt to separate the calf from the herd. The calf can be seen at far right. If the calf is isolated, two-man capture team jumps out and closes in and rope the young animal. If the calf sticks with a couple of adults they are driven into a ravine and the calf is roped. As soon as that happens, the adults are driven off with loud yells and throwing of dirt clods.

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