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## Dairy cattle can conceive 'tube' calves

United Press International  
FORT COLLINS, Colo. — Some of the most valuable cattle in the nation will be able to conceive as many as 15 to 20 times a year, instead of only once, because of an embryo transfer program that is underway at Colorado State University.

Veterinarian Peter Elsdén said the university has been taking part in embryo transfers involving farms in Kansas, Idaho and California. Negotiations also are under way to sell Holstein embryos to Eurofoods, a firm in Sweden. American Holsteins are considered the best dairy cows in the world, according to the veterinarian.

"Colorado dairy farmers will have a good chance to sell embryos from their better cows," Elsdén said. "There are about 3,000 dairy cows in the Fort Collins area alone."

He said several Eastern European countries also are interested in buying dairy cow embryos from the CSU transfer unit.

Elsdén recently carried a test tube containing an embryo in his pocket on a 600-mile flight from Kansas City, Mo., to Denver. The test tube contained the embryo of a valuable Holstein dairy cow from the ranch of Kansas dairy farmer George Pretz.

The CSU veterinarian said embryo transfers in cattle allow prime cows to conceive 5 or 20 embryos, which then are placed in surrogate mothers that are not as valuable.

"Pretz had already obtained a contract from a Canadian farmer to sell the potential calf for \$10,000," Elsdén said. "I put the test tube in my pocket so my body would act as an incubator."

"When I returned at midnight, we transferred the embryo into a recipient cow (owned by CSU) that had been in heat the same time as the natural mother."

An embryo can live in the test-tube medium for 18 to 20 hours. Recovery from the Holstein cow took about one hour and traveling time was six hours. A pregnancy resulted in the recipient cow, and Pretz now can breed his valuable Holstein again.

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## En garde

Texas A&M University fencing team members Tim Garison and Omer Tuncata fight with electrical epees during team practice in

G. Rollie White Coliseum. The team was preparing for the recent Texas A&M Invitational Fencing Tournament.

## Santa jobs scarce in Lincoln, Neb.

United Press International  
LINCOLN, Neb. — If you are an unemployed fat man with bright red cheeks and can remain jolly despite your job prospects, you had better not come to Lincoln in search of a Santa Claus job for the holidays.

A recent check of major department stores, the Salvation Army and the Chamber of Commerce showed St. Nicholas would only be ho-ho-ing at the Gateway Shopping Center and at the downtown

Brandeis-Lincoln store. The two locations are a convenient 50 city blocks apart.

"Once it was popular to have a Santa, but then there were so many it made it confusing for the kids," a Miller & Paine spokesman said.

A spokesman for J.C. Penney said the store apparently doesn't need one, since last year "there was a Santa a few doors down."

The Chamber of Commerce said it had a Santa last year at its Christ-

mas Fantasy Land, "but only three or four people came last night," a spokeswoman said. She said the Fantasy Land shop couple thousand dollars a year the money would be put to use: Holiday music will be in the downtown area.

A spokesman for a city department agency specializing in temporary services said there have been no calls so far this year for

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