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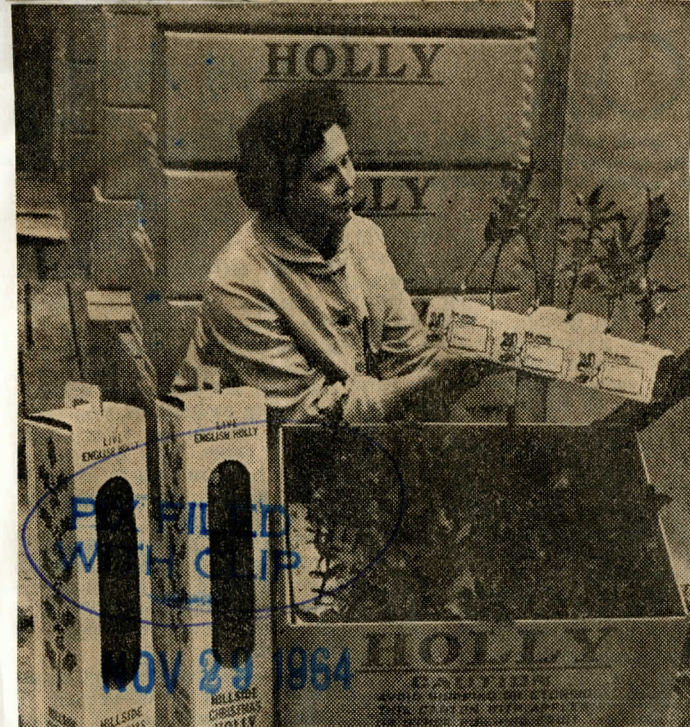
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WITH SLIP

**HOLLY BABIES' NURSERY**—Perfect cuttings are dipped in rooting powder and planted in this big plastic greenhouse at end of September, the soil kept at 70 degrees by buried heat cables. In no time, strong root systems are ready for potting. Tiny Jack and Jill twin trees come from short cuttings; taller "boy" and "girl" trees from larger cuttings the same age. More than 40,000 grown this season won't begin to fill demand. While treelets were in bloom, hives of honey bees were moved into the house for pollination. Mosbys lease the 900-tree McMurray farm on Vashon Island, one on Military Road near the Puyallup cutoff, and another at Des Moines. At first a steelme, holly growing could make a full-time living, but Mosbys prefer the drug business.



**HEART OF HILLSIDE FARM**—Holly from four farms pours into this spacious work center, where the first light opening day crew it as work for Washington Holly Growers Association packing small cello bags of twigs dear to housewives. At peak of season, now on, 80 are employed by Hillside, many of them neighbors

who have worked 10 years or so. Packs are shipped by air, rail and freight all over the country. Hillside puts up 17 holly packs and 10 different size wreaths. Trying to ship a wreath to Belgium, the Mosbys had to gild it to pass horticulture inspectors.



**BABY TREE GIFTS WOW MARKET**—Pretty Mrs. Wayne Mosby, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Beck of McMillin, founded Hillside Holly Farm, displays original gift items which made huge hit in '63 debut: twin baby holly trees, Jack and Jill, which retail for \$2.79 the pair; and, at either side, larger individual trees, Manly Noel—the boy, and Christmas Delight—the girl. Selling baby trees in pairs helps assure that the living gifts will thrive and bear bright berries. Mrs. Mosby and her husband, president of a Parkland-Federal Way-Normandy Park drug firm, have run the business 10 years, but now say they want to find someone to take over.—News Tribune Staff Photo.



**AWAY WITH LADDERS**—Moving of ladders has no place in the Hillside Holly Farm harvest, which opened Wednesday, to push through Thanksgiving and Sundays until, about Dec. 17, with estimated total cut of about 25 tons from four farms. Pete Lutop, 20-year employe of the farm, showers down heavily-berried cuttings from crow's nest of hydraulic "cherry picker" such as used in Eastern Washington fruit harvests.—News Tribune Staff Photo