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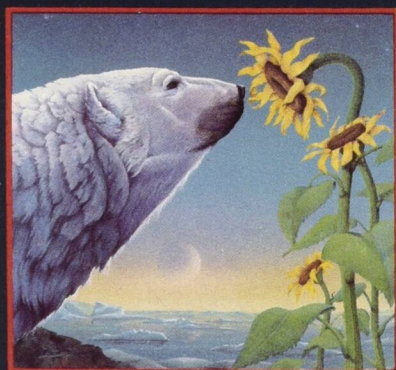
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Sunflowers in the arctic may seem like a far-off dream, but modern science's track record indicates that almost anything is possible. Canadian crop scientists are still a long way from realizing artist John Bianchi's surreal vision of northern agriculture, but progress is being made, particularly at the universities. On page 10, freelance writer Paul Tisdall describes work at the University of Manitoba aimed at breeding crops suited to the cool, short-season conditions of the Canadian Prairies.

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