

Top Boar Brings \$600 In Swine Sale Monday

More than \$600 was paid for the top boar at A&M Monday night at the first production tested boar sale ever held in Texas.

The sale was held as a part of the eighth annual Swine Short Course and Carcass Contest held at A&M under the sponsorship of the Texas Swine Breeders Association, the Department of Animal Husbandry, A&M and the A&M College System.

Thirty-two boars were sold for a total of \$5,300, averaging \$166. The boars were purchased by 24 different buyers from throughout the state.

The top indexing boar of the Texas Boar Test Station was a Hampshire bred by Bob Kain of Kaufman. It was purchased by the college for \$610.

The top two boars were purchased by the college and will be retained in the college breeding herd. The Hampshire boar will be used in the existing college herd, and the second place boar, a Yorkshire, will be used in establishing a Yorkshire herd at the college.

Six boars were purchased by the Houston Packing Co. to be placed in herds in the Houston area.

The boars were indexed according to rate of gain, feed efficiency, back fat probe and the carcass

analysis of two littermates.

Dr. A. M. Sorenson, associate professor of the Department of Animal Husbandry, said the producers of Texas showed that they knew what they were looking for in a herd sire as evidenced by the higher prices paid for the high indexing boars.

He declared that these boars will go into the herds of outstanding producers in the state and should greatly influence the types of hogs produced on our farms. Producers hailed the boar test as the greatest improvement in swine selection in recent years.

The sale offering included 13 Hampshire, 6 Duroc, 5 Landrace, 3 spotted Poland China, 2 Tamworth, 1 Berkshire, 1 Poland China and 1 Yorkshire boar.

The second indexing boar was a Yorkshire bred by Lester Glass of Miles, Texas, and sold for \$480 to A&M; the third high indexing boar was a Hampshire boar bred by Bob Kain of Kaufman and sold to August Jordan of Art, Texas, for \$300; the fourth indexing boar was a Landrace bred by James Alford of Waelder and sold for \$300 to Leonard Steffens of Barker.

Ch. E. Prof Offered Tour at Annapolis

Dr. Charles D. Holland, associate professor of chemical engineering, A&M, has been offered a tour of active duty at the U. S. Naval Academy to assist in contemplated curricula revision.

He is one of 16 Naval Reserve officers participating in the Naval Reserve Research Program who have been chosen for the opportunity of serving at the academy, according to Norman F. Rode, commanding officer of Naval Reserve Company 8-3, located at A&M.

Rode said acceptance of this honor by Dr. Holland may be contingent upon provisions being made so that he (Holland) can continue to supervise research now in progress under his direction.

Holland, a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve, came to A&M in 1949. He became a member of the Naval

Reserve company at the college that same year.

He has contributed much in research on thermodynamics as applied in petroleum refining, and in 1956, he received a Faculty Distinguished Achievement Award from the Association of Former Students. His award was for outstanding achievement in the field of research.

Biologists Schedule Student Institute

Twenty-four high ability secondary school students will be given an opportunity to attend a five-week biology institute at A&M June 8-July 11.

The A&M program is one of 14 that will be held this summer at 8 colleges and universities in Texas under the sponsorship of the National Science Foundation.

The institutes are designed to encourage the scientific interests of secondary school students of high ability by providing them an opportunity to associate with college-level programs in science, mathematics and engineering especially designed for them.

Dr. C. C. Doak, head of the Department of Biology and director of the summer institute here, said that secondary school teachers should watch for literature on the program from the Texas Education Agency during the second week in April.

Selection of participants will be based upon recommendations, aptitude, academic records and enthusiasm for science.

Whealy Dallas Guest

Dr. Roger D. Whealy of the Department of Chemistry was a guest of Texas Instrument Inc., of Dallas, at a recent symposium on instrumentation.

California Prof To Lecture Monday Night

Vernon DeMars, a noted architect, consultant and educator from California, will be a guest lecturer here Monday night.

DeMars will be presented at 7:30 in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Student Center in the Guest Lecture Series of the Division of Architecture. His topic will be "Housing and Community Appearance."

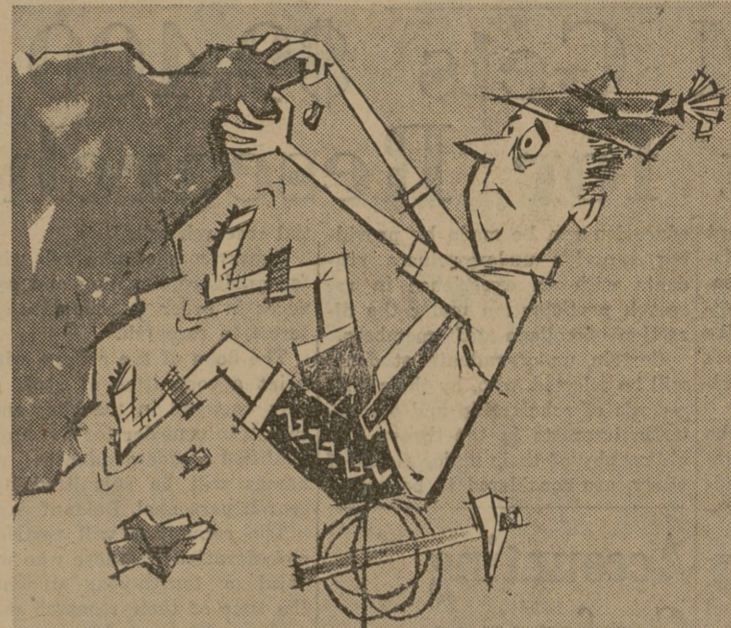
DeMars, professor of architecture at the University of California, has been a visiting professor of architecture, has served the government many times as an architect and consultant, has written numerous articles on architecture and has received many awards for his work.

In 1952, he served as a consultant to the U. S. State Department on the Ruhr Housing Program for Miners in Germany, and in 1955 he was a U. S. representative to a seminar on housing and planning in Ischia, Italy.

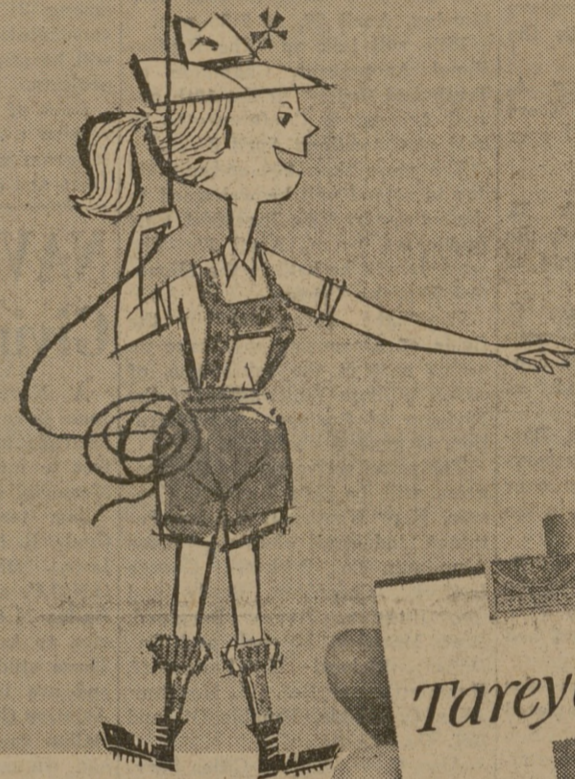
From 1937 to 1943, DeMars was an architect with the Farm Security Administration, and during the following year he was chief of the Housing Standards Section, National Housing Agency. As a lieutenant in the U. S. Navy in 1945, he was Naval aide to the governor of Puerto Rico and was adviser on public works.

DeMars was visiting professor in architecture at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and architect for cooperative housing in Washington, D. C., from 1947 to 1949. During the next two years he was lecturer in architecture at the University of California. He became professor of architecture in 1952.

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Relay Engineers Plan Conference

More than 200 persons throughout the United States are due to attend the 12th annual Conference for Protective Relay Engineers to be held here Monday through Wednesday.

L. M. Haupt of the Department of Electrical Engineering, the sponsoring department, will chair the conference.

Glen D. Hallmark, professor and head of the Department of Electrical Engineering, will give the welcome address at the opening session Monday morning.

Ed Beck of the Westinghouse Electric Corp., will deliver the banquet address Tuesday at 7 p.m. He will talk on "A Look at Russia."

Rae to Attend Biological Meet

Dr. K. M. Rae, director of the Marine Laboratory programs of the Department of Oceanography and Meteorology, will attend the second annual meeting of the Conference of Biological Editors Friday, Saturday and Sunday in Chicago, Ill.

He will attend as editor of "Limnology and Oceanography," an international journal of the American Society of Limnology and Oceanography.

Editors attending the conference will discuss editorial policy in biological journals, publications costs and other problems.

History Profs Attend Meeting

Dr. Claude Roberts and Dr. W. E. Benton, both of the Department of History and Government, participated recently in the annual meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Assn. held in Galveston.

Roberts gave a paper on "The Austrian Reaction to the Treaty of St. Germain" at the end of World War I. Benton took part in a roundtable discussion on the need for a "Revision of the Texas Constitution."

Groneman, Parker Help Evaluate Teacher Programs

Dr. G. P. Parker and Dr. C. H. Groneman were appointed by the Texas Education Agency as members of visiting teams that evaluated the teacher education program in two of the state's institutions of higher learning, Saturday through today.

Parker, head of the Department of Education and Psychology, was selected as chairman of the team to Southern Methodist University and Groneman, head of the Department of Industrial Education, was chosen as a member of the team to Howard Payne College.

The Texas Education Agency chose visiting team members upon the approval of the institutions to be evaluated.

Parker will be returning to his alma mater, having received his master's degree from SMU in 1935. He came to A&M in 1940 to join the chemistry staff, moved to the Department of Education and Psychology in 1948 and became head of the department in 1954.

Groneman also came to A&M in 1940 as a member of the staff of the Department of Industrial Education. He was named head of the department in 1948 and was appointed coordinator of teacher education in 1956.

In early May, a visiting team from the Texas Education Agency will evaluate the teacher education programs at A&M. The team will be headed by Dr. Suler Ryan, head of the Department of Education, Sam Houston State College.

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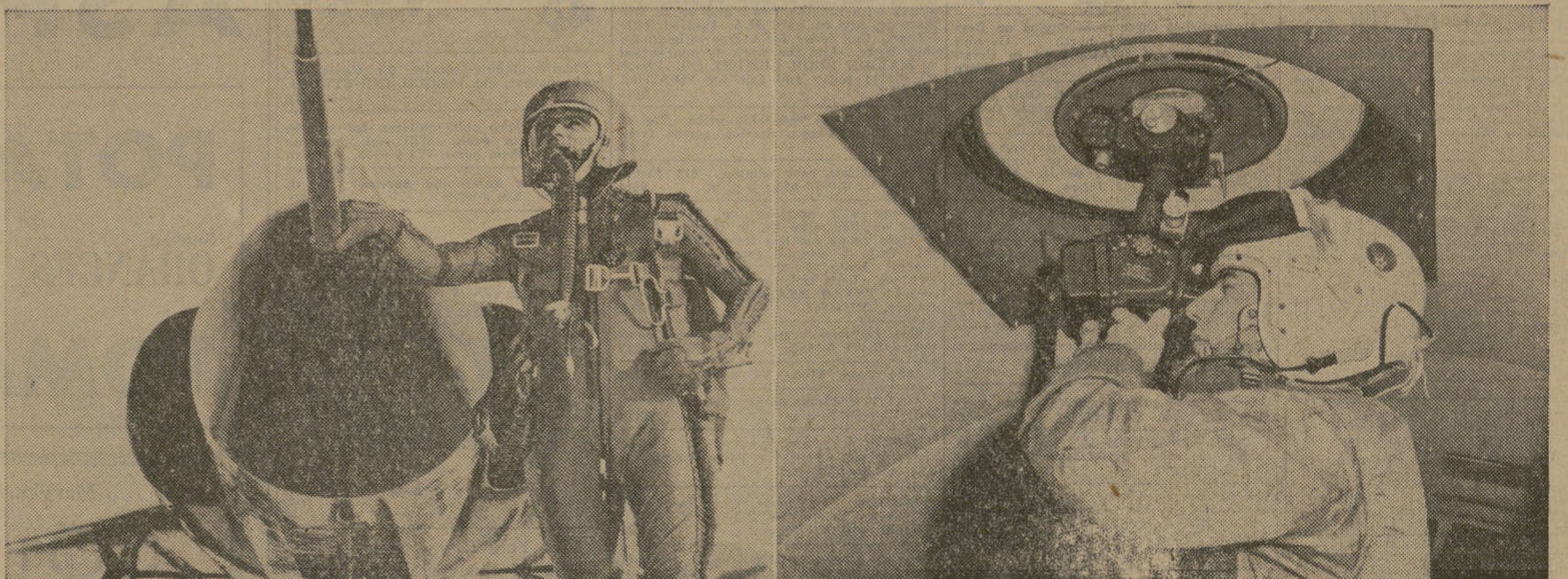
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