

Attendance Good At Angus Meet

Texas cattlemen turned out in force for the recent sixth annual American Angus Conference. The meeting was attended by nearly 400 cattlemen from 30 states. Theme of the conference was "Pacing Progress for Greater Profit."

Featured among the 21 speakers at the meeting were a number of Texans. On a panel discussion of merchandising Angus in the Southwest were Herman Allen, an Angus breeder at Menard, and Milt Miller, field representative for the American Angus Assn. in the Southwest. Panel moderator was T. Brooks Porter, last year's Texas Angus Assn. president from Austin.

The Texas Angus breeders treated the guests to an Angus beef barbecue and dance on the first evening of the conference. The state-wide group sponsored the event with the American Angus Assn.

L. D. Wythe of the Department of Animal Husbandry, was in charge of a discussion of the results of a sire progeny test. Four groups of feeder calves were sent to the College a few months ago from several Angus herds. Each group of four steers was sired by one bull. The steers were fed to slaughter grade and their carcasses analyzed. Wythe showed a rib steak from one of the steers in each progeny group and also exhibited color slides of the steers as feeder calves, as fed steers, as carcasses and in addition had photos of the wholesaler ribs.

Dr. A. M. Sorensen, also of the Department of Animal Husbandry,

presented a talk entitled "Dry Cows Are for the Rich." He compared the varying costs of producing a pound of live beef in relation to the weight of the calves per cow and also depending on the number of calves weaned per 100 cows.

Sorensen explained: "Assume it costs \$70 to keep a cow one year. If you get a 90 per cent calf crop and the calves average 450 pounds at weaning you are only producing 405 pounds of live beef per cow. If the percentage drops to 80 per cent you're getting only 360 pounds of marketable calf per cow and at 70 per cent it is 315 pounds."

His explanation further showed the effect of calf crop percentage on the cost of producing a pound of beef on the hoof. "It cost you 17.2¢ per pound to produce 405 pounds of calf (based on a 90 per cent calf crop) compared to 19.4¢ for 360 pounds per cow, and 22.2¢ per pound if your calf crop is only 70 per cent," he remarked.

Louis P. Merrill, an Angus breeder at Midlothian, explained how he successfully uses herd classification in his purebred Angus herd, especially in combination with production testing. Herd classification is a service provided Angus breeders by their national association for rating breeding animals in their herds. Use of the program results in obtaining official scores given by the association's classifiers. These men rate the animals in comparison with the "ideal" for the breed, not with any other animal.



New Mrs. Texas Crowned
Mrs. Seale T. (Betty) Cutbirth of Brownwood, an attractive and talented mother of four children was named in Dallas the new Mrs. Texas, the state's number one homemaker. She is shown being crowned by last year's winner, Mrs. Herbert S. Beard of Austin, at right. Mrs. Cutbirth will represent Texas at the national Mrs. America competition to be held June 2-14 in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Student Fellowship Elects Eight For Leader Positions

Eight students have chosen as leaders for the 1960-61 Disciples Student Fellowship, which has its home base in the A&M Christian Church. Elected at the May 4 dinner meeting were the following men: Don Henderson, Houston, president; Reid Farley, McCombs, vice president; Larry Oldham, Topoka, Kan., secretary; David Walker, Dallas, treasurer; David Wallace, Pecos, study chairman; Wayne Sharp, San Angelo, worship chairman; Len Coursey, Fort Worth, ecumenical chairman; and Ronald

Haley, Colorado City, social action chairman.

These leaders will be responsible for planning and leading the DSF program from the present time to the end of the 1961 school year. Reid Farley will report to this newly elected council next fall following his participation in the United Assembly of four major student Christian movements of the U. S., which is meeting at Stephens College, Columbia, Mo., Aug. 25-Sept. 1. Farley will act as the delegate for the A&M DSF.

President Don Henderson will leave for Hereford following the first summer school session. There he will participate in an ecumenical work camp. This international, inter-racial work camp group will construct a community center for migrant laborers, work with the children and youth of the laborers and spend free time in study on social-religious issues in present-day human relations.

Graduation Speakers Boost Varied Experience In Past Achievements

Gen. William Simpson and Dean Earl L. Butz of Purdue have accepted invitations to be commissioning and commencement speakers at the May 28 graduation exercises in G. Rollie White Coliseum.

Gen. Simpson is a native Texan, born in Weatherford June 11, 1909. He graduated from West Point and was appointed a second lieutenant in 1931.

The Ninth Army, under his command, arrived in Europe in 1944 and set up the first command post in the field at St. Sauvier, France. It marched through France, Belgium and Normandy and was engaged in the Ruhr River operation, attacked from the Ruhr to the Rhine, crossed the Rhine River operations to the Rhine, crossed the Rhine and made contact with the Russian Army southwest of Berlin.

Continued Role
Following victory in Europe, the Ninth Army continued its occupation role, with Gen. Simpson in command. In August, 1945, when the capitulation of Japan made redeployment necessary, Gen. Simpson brought his army back to the United States, where after 30 days leave the Ninth Army headquarters reassembled at Fort Bragg, N. C.

In October 1945 following demobilization of his army and an air trip to China, Gen. Simpson was appointed acting commanding general of the Second Army at Memphis, Tenn., taking official command upon retirement of Lt. Gen. Lloyd R. Fredenhall March 26, 1946.

His decorations include: Distinguished Service Medal, Oak Leaf Cluster to DSM, Legion of Merit, Silver Star, Bronze Star Medal, Philippines Campaign Ribbon, Mexican Interior Medal, World War Victory Medal, Occupation of Germany Medal, American Defense Medal, European Theatre Medal, Legion of Honor, Croix de Guerre, Order of British Empire and Legion of Honor (Commander, France).

Purdue Dean
Butz has been with Purdue since 1957 and three years prior he

served as assistant secretary of agriculture in Washington, D. C., in charge of marketing and foreign agriculture.

Prior to going to Washington Butz spent most of his life in Indiana. He graduated from Purdue in 1932 and acquired his PhD in 1937. He served for eight years as head of the Department of Agricultural Economics at Purdue before becoming assistant secretary of agriculture.

Butz has traveled widely, having been abroad six times in 25 foreign countries, and has spoken in 46 states in the United States.

In 1943 he was research economist with the Brookings Institution in Washington, D. C., where his researches were published in a book entitled "The Production Credit System for Farmers."

The following year he was Research Economist with the National Bureau of Economic Research in New York City. He has been a lecturer for many years at the School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin and the Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University. Likewise he has lectured before the Life Officers Investment Seminar at the University of Chicago.

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