

Walebe Farms heifer brings \$1



Wearing Lot No. 1, Hillview Elevation Jesse set the mood for the sale by bringing a \$12,000 bid from Donald V. Seipt, Easton. Pictured with the 5-year-old Elevation daughter is: from left, Bob Parr, Sire Power; John Howard and John Frey, Fultonway Farm,

contender; Mrs. and Mr. Leemon Gaugler, consignors; and Donald Seipt, buyer. In the auctioneer's box is Charles Backus and Doty Remsburg, sales managers, Norman Hill, and Duwayne Kutz.



This Elevation daughter, EK Tammy-ET, brought the top price of \$15,000 at Wednesday's Sire Power Sale held at the Kutztown Fairgrounds. She was consigned by Walebe Farms and purchased by Leonard Switzer, both of Collegeville.

BY SHEILA MILLER
KUTZTOWN — An embryo transfer daughter of Round Oak Rag Apple Elevation consigned by Walebe Farms, Inc. of Collegeville, topped the annual Sire Power Sale held here Wednesday.

Bidding stopped on this May 9, 1980 heifer at \$15,000. Her new owner is Leonard Switzer of Collegeville, so she won't be traveling far from her dam EX Tillie Magpie Kingpin Matt.

According to Earl Waltemyer, general manager of Walebe Farms, what made this particular heifer go to the top of the sale was her pedigree. "She's out of an old, popular cow line with two generations of excellent cows with good indexes.

What also helped was the strong line up of sires in her ancestry, including No-Na-Me Fond Matt and Whurhill Kingpin on the maternal side, linked with Osbornale Ivanhoe and Elevation.

Waltemyer added she is not the first of her litter to bring a high price. A full sister sold at this year's All-American sale held in April at the Farm Show Complex for \$16,000.

The heifer, EK Tammy-ET, is out of a litter of 14 calves, 8 heifers and 6 bulls. Out of the 14, there were 4 bulls and 3 heifers sired by Elevation and the others were sired by Bootmaker. Tammy's dam also produced a natural bull calf bred by SWD Valiant that year.

As a 3-year-old, Tammy's dam made a 365-day record of 28,860 pounds milk with 924 pounds fat. Her cow index is plus 1243 milk and plus 43 fat.

The price Waltemyer received for his consignment went against his prediction of top price at the start of the sale when he said the high animals would be around \$10,000.

The first animal across the auction block topped the \$10,000 mark. Bidding stopped on Hillview Elevation Jesse, consigned by Leemon E. Gaugler of Lee Bar Farm, Covington, at \$12,000. Purchasing this excellent 5-year-old was Donald V. Seipt, Keystone Farm, Easton.

Another Elevation daughter, Jesse is out of Hillview Dina Burke, a good cow with Ivanhoe and Kingpin blood in her history. Jesse's top record was made as a 4-year-old when she milked 26,142 pounds and had 987 pounds fat.

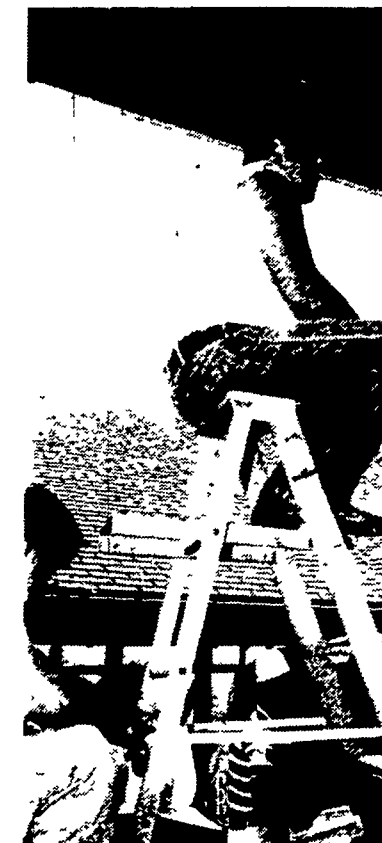
An Elevation daughter and a daughter of Eng-Amer Ivanhoe Jerry both brought \$10,000 at the Sire Power Sale.

Searchs Elevation Sis, a very good 5-year-old bred to Hanover Hill Triple Threat, wore Lot No. 3 for Sordoni Sterling Farm of Harveys Lake. She was purchased by Wayne Reeder of New Windsor, Maryland. Her top record came as a 3-year-old when she produced 27,030 pounds milk and 943 pounds fat.

The other \$10 grand price tag was worn by Lot No. 60, Harmat

Beth Elevation. Consignor Marlin Hoff of New Windsor, Maryland had purchased this animal at last year's Sire Power Sale. Now this offspring of Penstate Ivanhoe Star and Elevation will be traveling to the Farm of Frank Silva in California.

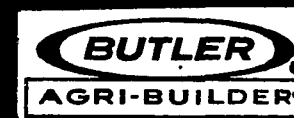
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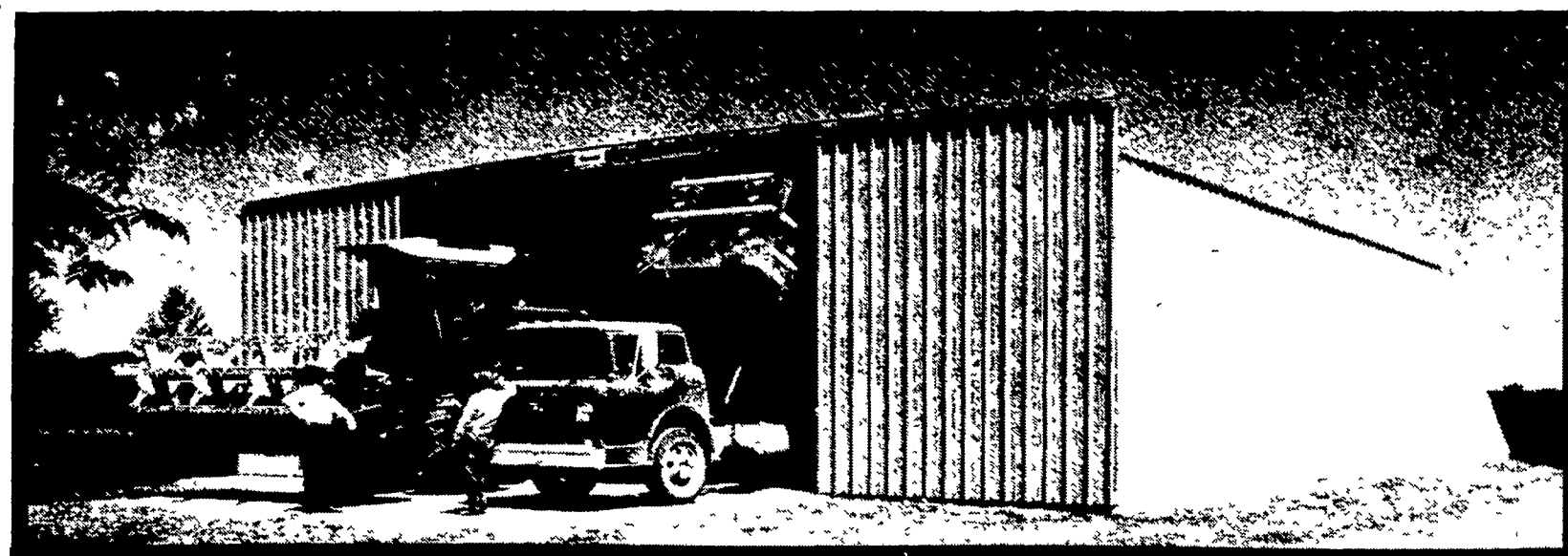
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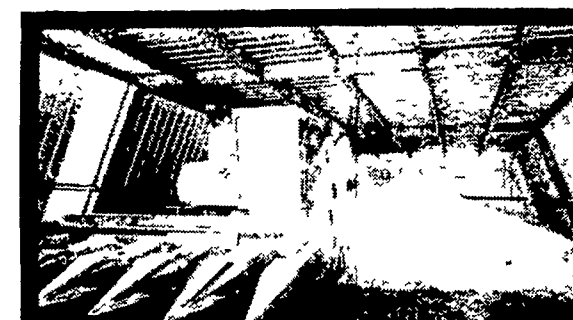
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