

## Scarborough retiring at Del.

NEWARK, Del. — Agricultural engineering professor Ernest N. Scarborough will retire from the University of Delaware on June 30 after 28 years of service.

Scarborough, a native of Annapolis, Md, earned his B.S. and M.S. degrees at Iowa State University. He came to Delaware in 1955 after working in industry for two years and spending six years teaching at Iowa State

University, North Carolina State University, and Tennessee Polytechnic Institute.

When Scarborough joined the university, there was only one other agricultural engineer on the staff, and no separate department of agricultural engineering. He was asked to head the agricultural engineering section of the combined department of agronomy and agricultural engineering.

In those days he did a little of everything: extension farm visits, teaching, and research on ammonia in broiler houses, irrigation, and crop drying. He was involved in the university's earliest Sea Grant project, a joint effort between agricultural engineering and marine biology to produce oysters in a controlled environment.

In 1957 the College of

Agricultural Sciences introduced a major in mechanized agriculture, now known as agricultural engineering technology. In 1968, agricultural engineering became a separate university department.

As department chairperson for the first 13 years, Scarborough developed the curriculum to keep pace with the changing needs of local industry. Preparing students for the working world was always his primary consideration, and a continual source of personal satisfaction.

Over the years he has taught 14 of the 18 agricultural engineering courses listed in the current catalog, including soil conservation, electricity, hydraulics,

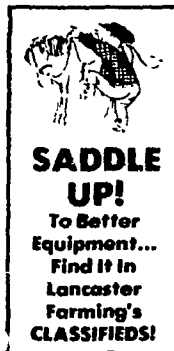
and machinery design. He was awarded the Christian R. and Mary F. Landbach Foundation Award for Distinguished Teaching in 1964.

The students of the College of Agricultural Sciences voted him outstanding teacher for the 1976-77 academic year. Many former students continue to keep in touch with him by letter or occasional visits.

Scarborough and his wife, Miriam, have four grown children. They have no definite plans for retirement, but will continue to live in their Newark home.



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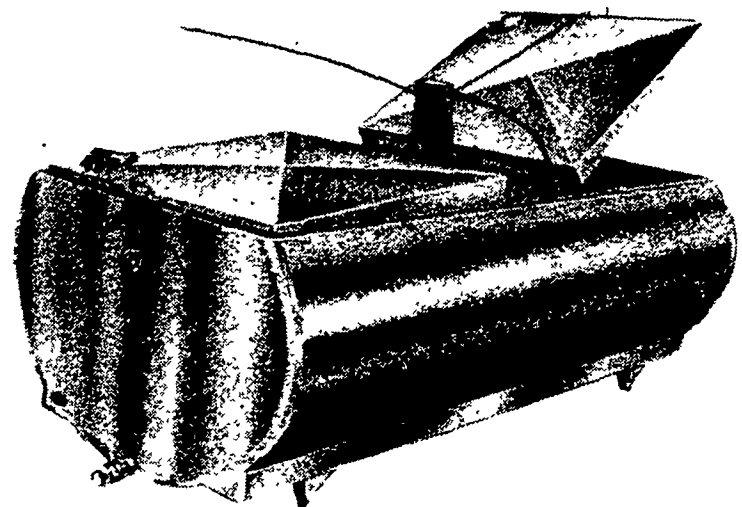
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