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National Dairy Show at Chicago

So far as the 450 cattle of the six dairy breeds in the stalls at the fifth annual National Dairy Show, Chicago, were concerned, the show was a quality show. Ayrshires, Holsteins, Jerseys, Guernseys, Brown Swiss and Dutch Belted cattle, each had their representatives on exhibition. There were no Canadian exhibits. W. W. Ballantyne, Stratford, Ont., one of our well known expert judges, placed the Ayrshire awards.

The educational feature was the key note of the Dairy Show throughout. The wide field touched by the dairy industry is evident by mere reference to some of the contributors to this dairy show. These were breeders of pedigreed dairy cattle; the United States Department of Agriculture; the Illinois Food and Dairy Commission; the Chicago Health Department; the Chicago Public Schools; the Chicago United Charities; makers of milk for creamery and bottled trade, ordinary and certified; and manufacturers of all the accessories of dairy farms, dairies, mills, routes and creameries.

PRACTICAL EXHIBITIONS

Interest and education were strongly mingled in the practical exhibitions of the Chicago Dairy Department. An official statement of the support given the show by the Chicago Health Department follows:

Babies fed upon milk which has been properly prepared and properly prepared. Demonstrations of the proper method of preparing milk for a baby. Demonstration of the proper method of keeping milk. Seven of milkmen in Chicago. Scores of entry dairymen. These scores show the cleanliness of milk producers. Charts and maps showing methods of producing milk; also pictures showing the development of flies and their life habits. A branch of the city laboratory on full operation, examining Chicago milk as found on the streets.

SOME OF THE ATTRACTIONS

Attractions to amuse the casual visitor were staged in the judging arena located in the centre of the Coliseum where the show was held. Each afternoon and evening parades of prize winning cattle were given, when the ring was not in use for judging, and at night a "calf scamper" provided to be a delight to spectators. A number of calves representing the different breeds on exhibition were turned into the ring and left to their own capers. The world's champion three-year-old butter cow, a Guernsey, "Dairy Maid of Pinedhurst", stood throughout the week of the show in one corner of the arena. Her owner, it is reported, refused during the show the sensational offer of \$10,000 for this cow. A Canadian Jersey cow, having a record of 700 pounds of butter in one year was a feature in another corner of the arena. These two cows, as the "Chicago" Gazette well puts it, were educational features of the most persistent and convincing appeal.

THE ATTENDANCE

Although the weather was propitious and the show deserving of the most generous patronage, the attendance was not all that could have been desired. The show as a whole was the best conducted and staged the most pleasing exhibits of any yet held by the Association. The attendance if not heavy was sufficient to be noticeable about the hotels even if not in the Chicago newspapers. It has always been difficult to interest the city public in the National Dairy Show owing largely to a lack of support from the Chicago papers.

Breeders of pedigree cattle rallied stoutly to the support of the show by their exhibits, which made spectacular presentation of the results of their work, and by horses on the floor of the Coliseum, and their banners. The Jersey, Guernsey, Holstein and Ayrshire breeders each kept official open

house near the judging arena, which were headquarters for adherents of their respective breeds.

Winter Fair Seed Department

T. G. Raynor, Seed Branch, Ottawa

Less than one month and the Winter Fair at Guelph will be in full blast again; the show is not out late time farmers who intend to make an exhibit of seeds to make their entries. November 12th is the last day.

An even larger exhibit of seeds than ever before should be shown this year. It has been a good year for the production of most grain crops and samples of seed generally are good.

The prize list at Guelph is a generous one, there being, \$6, \$4, \$3 and \$1 in the general classes, and in the Canadian Seed Growers' Association even letter prizes are offered in some sections. Members of the C.S.G.A. should not forget that they are eligible to compete in the general classes as well as in the C.S.G.A. class.

It is expected that a better arrangement for showing the seeds to advantage will be made this year and that every precaution will be made to prevent the grain exhibited from getting mixed.

Items of Interest

The Toronto Medical Health Officer as recommended that all milk not up to the standard of certified milk or scientifically pasteurized be heated to the boiling point in the homes before being used. Eleven cases of typhoid fever in the City have recently been traced back to one dairy.

It is officially announced that the C.P.R. has decided to build four new steamers on a fast direct steamship service between Nova Scotia and Boston and New York. These vessels will be larger, faster, and stronger than any at present engaged on the North Atlantic route.

An outbreak of rabies is reported from the vicinity of Tecumseh, Ont. A cow bitten by a mad dog some time ago has developed a virulent case of the dread disease and had to be destroyed. The local authorities are much concerned at the failure in observing the muzzling law.

The annual report of the Minister of Justice shows that crime, like everything else in Canada, is on the increase though apparently the growth is much slower than in other and better things. There were 16,350 charges and 11,400 convictions for indictable offences during the year ended September 30, 1909, an increase of 110 charges and 116 convictions during the year.

Last year the four largest occupations in Canada employed the following numbers: Agriculture, 710,000; manufacturing, 389,873; domestic, 271,000; transportation, 234,236. Besides these the professional class numbered 134,000, manufacturing 30,908, the fisheries gave work to 25,054, the forest and lumber industry employed 16,213, and a miscellany of occupations engaged 4,418. In considering matters of trade the fact must be borne in mind that agriculture is to-day, and is likely to remain for all time, the chief industry of Canada, and cannot be ignored.

In spite of fickle weather, which tended to mar the attendance at the Canadian National Apple Show, Vancouver, during the first two days of the show, the attendance is reported to have been phenomenal. Kelowna, in the fertile Okanagan valley won the grand sweep and stoned preeminence in the exhibition. Quebec exhibits of good hard sweet apples were admitted by visitors. The fruit, grown under various climatic conditions presented a dazzling difference in color, though uniform in size, and excellent in adaptation of all. The show is said to have been the largest ever held on the American continent.