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#### Tells about Georgetown Fair on the Air

Jack McPherson, CBC Farm Broadcaster, Gave Impressions of Fair Over CBL

For those in the district who were not fortunate enough to hear the CBC Farm Broadcast on which commentator Jack McPherson gave hisimpressions after spending the day at Georgetown Fall Fair, we publish the text of his remarks:-

"As was mentioned yesterday, I took the opportunity last Saturday of attending the Georgetown Fair to which I nad been invited some two months ago. I must say that I spent a most pleasant day at the fair and it was a very successful event. Of course, the weatherman cooperated beautifully and that is one of the most important factors for having a good fair. Then, too, the fair grounds are well laid out and they were in good shape. As matter of fact, one director made the claim to me that they had one of the best half mile tracks in Western Ontario. And I am inclined to agree with him after looking at the track races which were featured during the afternoon. However, I suppose I had to things agricultural.

There were quite a good number of entries in the various cattle classes as well as for sheep and hogs. I didn't watch the judging too closely of these



JACK MCPHERSON

animals but I did look them over earlier in the day and there were some mighty .nice looking beasts there. There were also quite good entries in the heavy horse classes.

There were really some excellent horses there in the lighter classes and watching some of the harness including the carriage horses, roadsters and the hackney ponies. I should not overlook the Shetlands either and one better get away from racing and back or two youngsters were obviously getting a terrific kick out of showing

Speaking of the youngsters, reminds me of the school display. This was set up in the hall where the fruits and vegetables as well as various handicraft exhibits were placed. There were entries from, I believe, 10 rural schools in Esquesing Township, as well as the entries from the school in Georgetown. It started with Grade 1 and went right up to Grade 8. There were all different kinds of things shown by his office in Brampton. the children including some excellent metal work plaques, wax work maps and pictures, and flour and salt relief work. I guess maybe I should explain these latter two a bit more, particularly if they are as unfamiliar to you as they were to me when I first saw them. For the wax work art they dip a cardboard or some other stiff material into hot paraffin wax and thus coat it. Then they cover the wax with some colouring material such as ink. Then when they want to make a picture they scrape the ink off in the proper places and leave a

silhouette effect which is quite nice. In flour and salt relief work they made a paste out of the flour and salt and then place it on a backing of cardboard or some other similar ma-If they were making, say a relief map of North America, they would have the outline on the cardboard first Then using this base, they would cover the map building up the mountains and all that sort of thing. Then they would use inks or water colours to colour various portions, and when they are done they have a very good relief map.

Another school display which I must not forget was the victory garden display. One group had a very smart idea in setting up their exhibit. They built a large horn out of stiff paper which they marked "the hern of peace and plenty." This was set up in such a manner that it appeared as if all of the food stuffs which had been grown in their gardens were pouring out of

this horn. Actually other exhibits of fruits and vegetables which would ordinarily take up a good part of the hall, were in the minority this year because of the bad season and had it not been for the school exhibits that hall would

have looked rather bare. However, there was one other exhibit in the hall which bears mention. And that is the handicraft exhibit. The women of Georgetown have crganized a handicraft society which began, I believe, three years ago when some of the women decided they would like to do a bit of spinning and weaving as a hobby. Then the group branched into other fields with one of the women doing a great deal of work with tiny seashells from which she builds all sorts of things including small pictures and various types of costume jewellery. Going back to the spinning and weaving, which is really the mainstay of the society as yet, they have developed some very novel ideas. When looking over some of the special classes which were exhibited I noticed one very smart looking man's sweater. If was a pullover but I couldn't figure out what in the world it was made of. I'll venture that few, if any, of the listeners could have either. I found out though when I stopped to read a card that went with it that it was made from the hair or wool, whichever you wish to call it, which had been clipped from an English Shepherd dog. You know those fellows with the great long hairy coats, which look unlike the sheep. Apperently owners had considered the dog was too hot in the summer anyway, so they clipped, took the hair and spun it into wool which was used to make the sweater. I have heard a good deal in the last few years of the possibility of synthetic fabrics placing or at least competing with wool for popularity, but this is the first time I have heard of a dog that comneted with the sheep in producing material for making human clothing.

One other item which added to the enjoyment of the fair was the band which was in attendance. And it's a

local band too-the Georgetown Otthe Pipe Band. The people of that community certainly have a group there to be proud of. It may have been my Scotch ancestry that caused it, but I don't think I have heard a band at a fair that was better to listen to and I suppose I should be fair and add that I have seen few, if any, that were better to look at. In closing my comments on this Georgetown fair, I should just like to say that I think it was a fine example of good organization of those in charge. A successful fair, just as is the case with any other event, isn't something that happens of its own accord. It takes planning and work. I would guess that the Board of Directors under their able young President, Oraig Reid, had put in plenty of work to have such a successful event."

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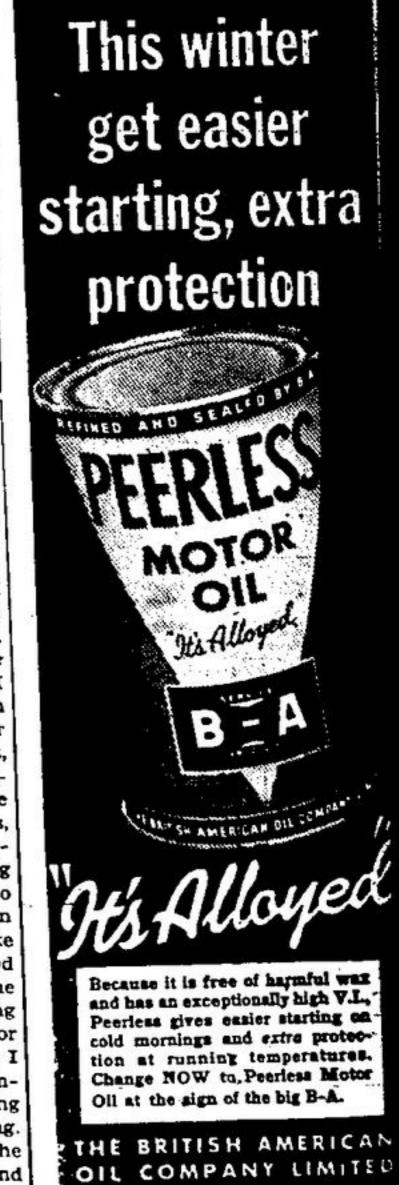
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