



Part of the group of 32 Pennsylvania 4-Hers who attended the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair in Toronto, Canada as guests of Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative included (l. to r.): Susan Weaver, Glen Moore, RD1; Mary Tkaczuk, Elverson, RD2; Jim Stanton, Lincoln University,

RD1; Patti Johnson, Airville; David Schantz, Alburdis, RD1; Susan Seidel, Richland; and Cynthia Knight, Airville, RD2. Don Jones, chairman of the public relations committee for Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative is at the right.

Eastern Sponsors Canadian Trip for Area 4-H Youths

Thirty-one Pennsylvania 4-Hers traveled to Canada last week as guests of Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative to visit the Royal Agricultural Winter Fair.

Two local girls, Linda Kauffman, Elizabethtown, RD1 and Betty Jo Bitler, Peach Bottom, RD2, joined the group which was selected from the high dairy judges at 4-H State Days.

Those participating from neighboring counties included: York County - Cynthia Knight, Airville, RD2 and Patti Johnson, Airville; Chester County - Mary Tkaczuk, Elverson, RD2, Susan Weaver, Glen Moore, RD1; and Jim Stanton, Lincoln University, RD1; Berks County - Susan Seidel, Richland and David Schantz, Alburdis, RD1.

The Pennsylvanians joined other Eastern-sponsored groups from New York and Vermont, and enjoyed a full day at the "Royal" and an evening at the

horse show. They were treated to seeing Canada's finest in agriculture.

The Royal is similar to our Farm Show, but the Pennsylvania 4-Hers noticed several differences. The Fair was geared to educating the public about agriculture, and a big effort was made to accommodate school groups, who took advantage of a day at the Royal by arriving in droves.

An impressive dairy cattle show was of greatest interest to these dairy 4-Hers. The Holsteins, Guernseys, Ayrshires and Jerseys all conducted their shows simultaneously in the Coliseum Arena, with the colored breeds having outstanding numbers of cattle in their shows, and the interested persons at ringside numbering in the thousands.

The 4-Hers, experienced in receiving ribbons, observed quickly that in Canada a red ribbon is awarded for first place and a blue ribbon goes to second place. Another slight difference is that they had to search pretty hard for the one eating concession which served hamburgers and french fries - the other eating establishments served a less "American" fare.

The Ontario Department of Agriculture had an extensive display showing the corn and apples which result when no pesticides are used, and another display proclaiming the virtues of Ontario-produced products.

Product councils and institutes all had exhibits aimed at teaching something about their product. One of the more interesting was the Rutabaga Council display which gave samples of rutabagas and recipes for their use. Ontario is the center of rutabaga production.

An extensive flower show, a tropical fish exhibit and international poster displays were just a few of the things which makes the Royal truly unique.

Answering the solemn customs officer's questions and observing an outstanding performance by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police helped to contribute special interest to this educational tour, the tenth annual for Eastern Milk Producers Co-op.

Chaperones for the trip were Mr. and Mrs. N. Alan Bair and Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Brown. Bair and Brown are assistant county extension agents in Lancaster and Somerset counties, respectively.

Also accompanying the group were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Shoop, Dauphin County and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wanner, Lancaster County, both members of the board of Eastern. All arrangements were under the supervision of Lisle Dutton, public relations director for the Co-op.

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