

SYDNEY TRADE FAIR

PAPUA'S EXHIBIT WON GOLD MEDAL

A Papua and New Guinea exhibit which was awarded a gold medal at the recent Royal Adelaide Exhibition is displayed in the Manufacturers' Hall.

PREPARED by the Department of Territories and the Administration of Papua and New Guinea, the exhibit is designed to promote the sale of territory products in Australia and overseas.

Other aims are to encourage suitable investment in the territory and to illustrate the rapid economic, social and political development which has taken place in the last decade.

The exhibit will feature the territory's main products, copra, cocoa, coffee, timber and plywood and rubber.

All timbers used in the exhibit are of New Guinea origin and main features include an electrically operated model of a chocolate factory, a large-scale model map of the territory showing the chief cash-crop producing areas; a large model lakatoi (native sea-going vessel); Motu pottery; and a range of native artifacts and basketware.

A special publication, "The Changing Harvest in Papua and New Guinea" containing up-to-date information on economic development, is available at the exhibit.

The display is managed by Messrs H. V. Clarke and J. Walker, of the Department of Territories, and specialist officers from the territory include agricultural officers Mr E. R. Wilson and Mr D. E. Montgomery.

Papuan and New Guinea members of the staff are Mr Gamia Gitti, higher technical assistant, and Mr Stanley Wuai, a second-year student at Ppoundetta Agricultural Training Institute.

Mr Gitti, from Bamba village, Misima sub-district, Milne Bay, is a quarantine officer in the Department of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries.

Mr Wuai, from Makurapau village, Kokopo sub-district, New Britain, gained the Queensland Junior Certificate in 1961 with passes in five subjects.