



FOR THE FARM WIFE AND FAMILY

Expert Seamstress, Good Cook, Talents of Mrs. E. Robert Bare

Chairman of Domestic and Fine Arts
At West Lampeter Fair

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The fair grounds at Lampeter will be the scene of animation next week when their forty-fifth annual fair gets into swing. It is strictly an agricultural and educational fair with no concessions. This fair has a board of 45 directors, Roy B. Herr having been on the board all 45 years of its existence. The fair association operates a restaurant and dairy bar. The F.F.A., F.H.A. and Varsity Club also operate food stands. A well-rounded program of entertainment is planned. This fair has a fine display of farm machinery and other commercial exhibits.

Last year West Lampeter Fair Association paid out \$2756.00 in premiums. Among the interesting displays in the old grade school house at Lampeter, which is of particular interest to women, is the Domestic and Fine Arts exhibit of which Mrs. E. Robert Bare (Elva) is chairman. She has exhibited at the fair for years but last year was her first year to assist in the work of the fair. They had some 275 entries of sewing and handwork articles. They will start accepting exhibits next Tuesday noon.

Mrs. Bare is an expert seamstress. She won first place on a coat last year at the Pennsylvania Farm Show. She makes her own drapes, clothing for herself and children. She is a sewing instructor together with Mrs. Elvin Hess for the Lampeter-Strasburg Merry Maids 4-H Club of which Mrs. Robert Hess is the leader. They have 27 girls in the Sewing Club and 8 in the Cooking Club. They have had their round-up this year.

They held a fashion show August 6 at the Farm and Home Center in Lancaster and the Cooking Club served cookies and a drink. Achievement Day was held in August at the Lampeter-Strasburg High School and Miss Marilyn Krantz from their club was selected as 4-H Queen. The Merry Maids meet at the Martin Mylin Jr. High School which is near the Senior High School. Elva, herself, was a 4-H member at Manheim when Mrs. Benjamin Sheaffer was the leader. Mrs. Bare, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sauder of Manheim, attended Manheim Central High School.

The Bares own a beautiful 63 acre farm on Millport Road between Bridgeport and Lampeter where they have lived the past 18 years. John Lapp farms it together with several acres from neighboring farms. They have a herd of 30 Holsteins and own the farm equipment. They grow corn, wheat and hay. Mr. Bare helps some with the farm work and is one of the Garden Spot 4-H leaders. He is a hunter. They have a summer cabin in Tioga County with 12 other families. Last year he caught a large sail fish in Mexico which makes a beautiful wall decoration for their living room. He is a boat enthusiast. The family enjoys boating and water-skiing in the Chesapeake Bay.

Mr. Bare and his brother Jacob are partners in the E. K. Bare & Sons, Inc. potato brokerage business at Bird-in-Hand. They buy potatoes from Maine to Florida, mostly in the eastern section of the United States. The potatoes from Maine are used largely for seed. Ninety per cent of the potatoes they buy go to chip factories. They



CREATING a lovely dress for her daughter is Mrs. Robert Bare. An expert seamstress, Mrs. Bare won first prize at

the Pennsylvania Farm Show last January with a top coat she made. L. F. Photo

do not own trucks but truck-owner-operators work for them. Most of their business is conducted by telephone. Mrs. Robert Bare and Mrs. Jacob Bare assist in the office work.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bare have four children. The oldest are seventeen year old twin girls, Karen and Carol. Carol helped at the office of E. K. Bare & Sons this summer. Karen worked in the bake shop at Plain & Fancy Farm & Dining Room. Both of these girls are good cooks. During school season when their mother is working at the office they take turns cooking at home. They are Seniors at Lampeter-Strasburg High School. Carol is taking a business course and is interested in food. She was in F.H.A. last year and was one of the secretaries for one of the teachers at school. Karen wants to go to college and take an elementary education course. She likes drama and takes part in 4-H and school plays. She is cheer leader for the wrestling club. Both girls are in the 4-H Sewing Club. Donald is 16 and takes an Agriculture course at Lampeter-Strasburg and is in F.F.A. He was on the Jr. High School basketball team last year. He wants to be a dairy farmer. He is raising three calves for veal. He loves to run the tractor on their farm. Julia is 9 and attends Hans Herr Elementary School.

The Bares are members of



MRS. BARE is chairman of the clothing and needlework at the Lampeter Fair. The coat she is wearing was made on her own sewing machine and took first prize at the Pa. Farm Show. A fine dieffenbachia plant is in the background. L. F. Photo

Stumptown Mennonite Church. Mrs. Bare teaches a class of teenage girls and Mr. Bare is a substitute teacher in the Sunday School. He is also treasurer of the Sunday School. Mrs. Bare is a past president of the church sewing circle. They help with the work of the Mennonite Central Committee of Akron. They make dresses, skirts and pajamas and knit quilts, make leprosy kits and layette kits which go to Hong Kong, Jordan and other foreign missions. They also make sewing kits and new-born kits which go to Haiti, Honduras, etc. Some ladies knit sweaters for the Christmas bundles which consist of clothing, a sweater, a cake of soap and a toy. These must be at Akron by June. Carol, Karen and Donald are active in the youth group at church. They are attending youth camp at Camp Hebron at Halifax this month. Three church youth groups go to the camp at a time. The youth group from Stumptown Church raises and sells lima beans as a money-making project. Their social activities include moonlight cruises, box social, fall party and a hay ride.

Mrs. Bare is a member of

Farm Women Society #22 which has 28 members and Mrs. Paul Miller of Lancaster is president. Their money-making projects consist of rummage sales, food stands at sales and food and garden sales among their members. They have contributed to the County Home, American Red Cross, Easter Seals, Cleft Palate, Farm and Home Center, American Cancer Society and Halfway House. They enjoyed a swimming party this summer and have a trip planned to Allentown. They have had interesting programs with a speaker from Cleft Palate, a foreign exchange student to speak and Mrs. Mark Weaver told how to dry flowers and exhibited some arrangements.

Mrs. Bare says "I enjoy sewing, I enjoy reading and I enjoy traveling." Last fall they flew to Mexico and they fly to Florida sometimes. These trips to Florida are partly business and partly pleasure. She has made some embroidered quilts in the past but doesn't have time to do it at present. Besides being an expert seamstress Mrs. Bare is an expert housekeeper. She says she also

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Mrs. Elva Bare in her immaculate kitchen pours a glass of ice tea made from one of her favorite recipes.