

Works for Successful Farm Fair

Mrs. Hooper Active in New Holland

By Mrs. Charles McSparran
Farm Feature Writer

One of Lancaster County's oldest community fairs and one that attracts thousands of people every year is the New Holland Farmer's Fair. The 33th annual fair will be held September 30, Oct 1, 2 and 3 this year.

It is run by a group of volunteer business men with Rufus Good as president and many other community organizations and individuals contribute very materially to its success. Dr. Wilson A. Faust, having worked with the fair many years, is an honorary member of the board of directors.

The large street parade, which is attended by 30,000 to 40,000 people, will be held Wednesday evening, September 30. It is conducted by the Young Men's Business League with William Bingaman chairman. Different organizations sponsor bands. The official opening will be at 7 p.m. that evening.

The Pet Parade directed by the Cub Scouts will be held at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Oct 2. Prizes are furnished by Hershey's Shoe Store.

One of the outstanding events which draws about 20,000 people is the Baby Parade. It will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct 3. The Business and Professional Women conduct it and one of the nice things about it is that each child gets a gift. All gifts and prizes are furnished by New

Holland Farmers National Bank. The various entries are said to be fabulous.

There will be a Tug-of-War elimination each evening (except Wed.) at 9 p.m. participated in by members of the area Fire Companies. Finals will be Saturday evening. A trophy and monetary gifts are presented to winners.

A unique feature of this fair is the bake sale after noon Wednesday. Each year an organization conducts the sale after the products are judged. This year the Garden Spot 4-H Club will be the beneficiary. Crowds look forward to buying prize winning entries. This also eliminates food spoilage which would occur before the end of the fair. A sample of each one is displayed in store windows as is the canned goods.

Livestock is exhibited in a tent. Last year it was on Railroad Avenue. The 4-H Baby Beef Show attracts many people. After being judged, the animals will be sold at 1 p.m. Thursday at the New Holland Sales Stable. 4-H Community Club pigs will be judged Thursday and sold at 2 p.m. Friday, under the direction of Arnold Lueck from the Lancaster County Extension Service.

This fair is strictly an agricultural fair, without the midway attractions which are part of some similar fairs. It is largely a street fair. Main Street is closed between Custer Avenue



Mrs. Roy W. Hooper of New Holland displays a beautiful reversible orange, yellow and white on green daisy afghan which her daughter just completed and will exhibit at the New Holland Farmer's Fair.

and Brimmer Avenue. Richard Geist is in charge of concession space along the curbs.

Some of the different refreshment stands include the local Fire Company. Lions Club has hot ham sandwiches. A class from St. Stephen United Church of Christ has a beef barbecue and the Leola Memorial Association has platters in a special building for food.

The flower show will be in the Boy Scout Home on South Roberts Avenue. Store windows display many fine exhibits and the Elementary School auditorium has a number of exhibits such as jelly, sewing and fancy work.

One who has worked very diligently for 10 years or more with this fair is Mrs. Roy W. Hooper of 350 State Street, New Holland. She is chairman of the committee of about 10 who are in charge of fancy work and sewing. They will be on hand from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m., Tuesday, September 29 and from 8 a.m. Wednesday throughout the fair. They will have all kinds of handmade articles such as quilts, rugs, embroidered, crocheted and knitted articles and sewing. They will have separate entries for 4-H. Last year they had 375 entries in this department and are anticipating more this year.

Mrs. Hooper's community service does not end with the fair. She has been organizational leader of the Garden Spot 4-H Sewing Club for five years and has worked with the club nine years. She is serving a two-year term on the County 4-H Leaders Council. They have 60 girls in the sewing club and 13 adult workers and they meet in Garden Spot High School. 250 people attended their fashion show this summer which was conducted by teen leaders.

Mrs. Hooper (Eleanor) works with free lance (tailoring), having many girls coming to her home for assistance. She is well qualified for this work as she has always sewed and took courses in Extension sewing. She took tailoring courses four

ning gowns for friends and has helped more people solve sewing difficulties.

Mrs. Hooper works with the Senior Citizens Club of New Holland which meets in Liberty Fine Hall. This was an outgrowth of the Priscilla Class of the St. Stephen United Church of Christ and was organized 10 years ago. Mrs. Howard Barr is chairman. About 80 to 120 attend their meetings which are held the first Wednesday of the month. They have speakers and discussions at their meetings. Twice a year they take trips. One hundred will take a trip to Washington, D.C. next month. They have taken trips to Hershey, Litz, Sterling Forest Gardens, N.Y., Annapolis, Md., Longwood Gardens, Harpers Ferry and to the coal regions. One meeting a year they have games and they have exchange meetings with other clubs.

Eleanor came from Lock Haven, Pa. and is a registered nurse, having graduated from Hahnemann Hospital in Philadelphia where she specialized in orthopedics and pediatrics. She is also a post graduate of Children's Hospital in Philadelphia. She supervised at Shreiners Hospital for Crippled Children, Roosevelt Blvd., Philadelphia for five years after graduation and since marriage has done some volunteer work.

Hoopers are members of Saint
(Continued on Page 23)



Mrs. Hooper, attired in her tailored print dress, displays a knitted baby shawl she just completed and some of her craft creations.

Brightens Up Your Future

Savings insurance up to \$20,000 is not the only thing that makes an account in our Association a blue chip investment. New, high interest rates mean that your money works harder, produces more for you than ever before. And remember, no one has ever had to wait for their money.

**SAVINGS
INSURED TO \$20,000**

FIRST FEDERAL
Savings and Loan
ASSOCIATION OF LANCASTER

FEDERAL HOME LOAN BANK SYSTEM MEMBER

25 North Duke St.
Phone 393-0601

Mon. thru Thurs. 9 to 4:30
Fri. 9 to 6
Sat. 9 to noon