

# Mennonite Sale

## Gross Over \$19,000



THE SELF-HELP BOOTH offered handcrafted items from foreign lands for the third year at Saturday's Mennonite Relief Sale in Arthur.

After all of the bills are paid, the 17th annual Mennonite Relief Sale held Saturday is expected to be "one of our better sales," according to Relief Sale President Walter Gingerich.

Gross receipts from Saturday's sale totaled \$19,429. The figure is a record gross profit, said Gingerich. The net profit, which will be finalized in a few weeks, will be around \$17,000, Gingerich said. The sale's record net profit is about \$18,700 received in 1978.

Profits from the annual sale are sent to the Mennonite Central Committee in Akron, Penn. The money is used to feed and clothe impoverished people around the globe.

The biggest bid Saturday was \$585 for a china closet. The grandfather clock brought \$550. The most profitable quilt was one donated by the Arthur Mennonite Church which sold for \$500.

One of two toy farm wagons sold for \$200.

Gingerich said about 300 numbers were obtained for the auction. About 500 pounds of sausage was served during the pancake and sausage breakfast.