

A view of Simcoe County's Quilt and Rug Fair, 1958.



## Quilt, Rug and Craft Fair

**S**IMCOE County's annual Quilt, Rug and Craft Fair will be held this year at Beeton on July 25 to 28 inclusive. For the information of anyone from a distance wishing to attend the fair, the village of Beeton is off Highway No. 27 on No. 1 Simcoe County Road, 40 miles north of Toronto, 25 miles south of Barrie.

While Quilts and Rugs are stressed as the major part of the fair there will be an "Arts and Crafts for Sale Booth" featuring leather craft, weaving, pottern, wood craft and driftwood, traditional Indian crafts and personally designed craft work.

To encourage the development of new quilt designs, Miss Mary McKay of Collingwood has designed a "Country Fair Quilt" and a group is already working on it.

## Girls' Clubs In Thunder Bay

By Elsie Irvine  
District Home Economist

**I**F YOU were to drive from Toronto to North Bay you would be covering the distance between two 4-H Homemaking Clubs in Thunder Bay District. Upsala on the west and Jellicoe on the east, with 25 other clubs, have completed the project "Featuring Fruit". Sub-zero weather for the three Achievement Days did not deter 187 members from exhibiting and demonstrating what they had learned about fruit.

Some apples are grown in the District, mainly crab apples and Melbas, but club members were introduced to many new varieties. New and exciting uses were found for dried fruit; and the tame and wild fruits canned or stored in the home freezer are coming to the table in new ways. If you are travelling thirty or forty miles on a school bus, a good breakfast takes on added meaning.

Several groups entertained mothers and Women's Institute members at a supper or a tea. This was an excellent opportunity for making such recipes as fruit breads, apple bars, upside-down cake, peach layer dessert and many others.

Of the 187 girls, 9 have completed more than 12 projects; two have completed 16 of the 19 projects now available. These members are making a valuable contribution to their respective clubs.

The project being studied at this time is "Separates for Summer". There are now 30 clubs between Upsala and Jellicoe and the membership has increased to over 250.

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### COMMUNION

By E. Anne Ryan

From "Pageant and Other Poems"

My next-door neighbour called from her door,  
"Come in for a cup of tea!"  
Things had been going very wrong,  
And the world looked black to me,  
But I slowly walked to her kitchen door,  
And she knew, because she was kind;  
And she held my arm, with a little squeeze,  
"Now, honey, don't you mind."

That was all she said; she never tried  
To find out what was wrong,  
But she spoke of little neighbourhood things,  
And the newest radio song;  
And the rose geranium on the sill —  
A gift from her sister, you know,  
Until an hour had cheerfully ticked,  
And I turned to the door to go.

The white, light biscuits, and rich red jam,  
And the kitchen table spread,  
And the kind, sweet face of the woman there,  
With a dust-cap on her head —  
You may think it wrong to put it so,  
But I shall always feel  
That the food, and the drink and the fellowship  
Made a sacrificial meal.

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