

MY DAUGHTER

She tells me that my hair's a mess
She jerks and twitches at my dress,
And riles me often, I confess
My daughter.

She moons around the house and sings,
And shudders at old fashioned things,
She's modern as a spitfire's wings,
My daughter.

She's restless, moody, filled with fears
Changes from laughter into tears,
Apes every movie star she hears,
My daughter.

She's going to wed a millionaire
(She says) and have grand clothes to wear,
Peaches and cream her daily fare,
My daughter.

She combs her hair in dainty swirls,
Sets bobby pins to hold the curls,
And imitates other girls,
My daughter.

Although she's all the things I tell,
And many more — she's doing well
And I — her mother, — think she's swell
My daughter.

By Edna Jaques

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New England — Mrs. Russell Hill speaking on the theme "If at first you don't succeed try, try again," pointed out that Adelaide Hoodless tried many times before she succeeded in having Home Economics taught in schools. Mrs. Hill suggested that there are many problems about which Women's Institute members should be concerning themselves—how to educate women to seek medical aid in time—how to help the lonely woman, lonely because she is withdrawn within herself—how to find those members who are just burning with talent to be used—how to help women today in developing a sense of values in dividing their time between home and outside interests, so that families will not suffer and the business of homemaking receives the dignity it deserves.

Riverside Heights Girl Guides and their leaders from all parts of Canada, from Britain, France, The Netherlands, Germany, Iceland, Denmark, the United States, Finland, Japan, Sweden and it is hoped Israel gathered on two islands in the St. Lawrence river as a part of the Guide Centennial project. Members from Riverside Heights Women's Institutes will demonstrate the art of quilting as part of the plan to show the visiting guides facets of Canadian life.

New Liskeard—At a meeting chaired by the safety convener, "Broken Glass on our Highway and Beaches," was the subject of a paper. A discussion followed on what Institute members and 4H Club members can do to help to eliminate this hazard.



4H Homemaking Club girls sponsored by the Desbarats Women's Institute, assist the Algoma Unit of the Canadian Cancer Society. Their efforts resulted in raising \$100. Left to right: Sheila Martin, Lynda Donna Steinburg, Mary Harrison, Ursula Arnold, Lynda Matheson, Jean Harrison; shown with their kits ready to start the canvas.

Rosemont—Roll call at the Home Economics and Health meeting of the Rosemont Women's Institute was, "My first thought when unexpected company calls." A speaker said, "Overweight causes serious health problems and often starts with small children being the victim of mother's poor menu planning."

Fenelon Falls—A museum garden party sponsored by the Fenelon Falls Women's Institute and the Catholic Women's League was held on the Museum grounds. "The mayor of Lindsay provided a shuttle service with his team of horses and a surrey, for guests from the downtown area to the grounds.

Badenock—An inspector from the Guelph Fire Department visited the Badenock Women's Institute and told of his inspection work with factories, schools and public places. He distributed pamphlets, "Fire on the Farm and Plan Your Escape."

Laird Women's Institute attended a demonstration of life saving techniques. They saw a demonstration of the use of a resuscitator and fire fighting equipment.

Marmora Women's Institute had as a motto for its June meeting, "Try to Figure Out How Much You Contribute to the World, Not How Little You Can Get By With."

New Dundee Women's Institute, honoured its only living charter member, Mrs. Fred Miller, by presenting her with a corsage and an engraved coffee spoon at their 60th anniversary party. Reminiscing Mrs. Miller said that she had been nominated for president when she was only twenty and had said, "I'll think about it." Her father said, "You'll have to make up your own mind, but if you can't take criticism don't do it." She became president.

If only I may grow: firmer, simpler — quieter, warmer.

Dag. Hammarskjold in "Markings"