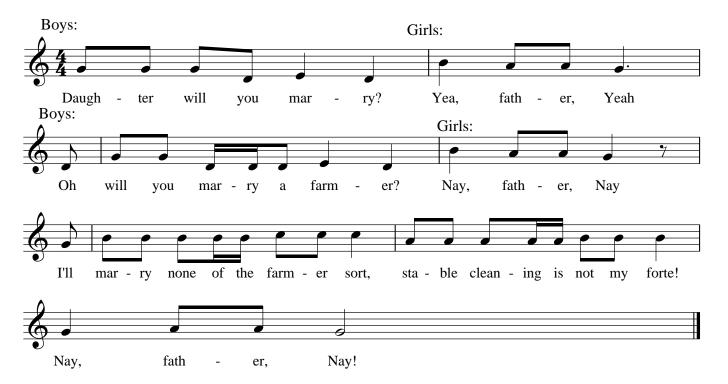
## Daughter, Will You Marry?

Informant/Performer: The Yoder girls of Hegins, PA 1946 Source:

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- Daughter, will you marry?
   Yea, Father, Yea!
   Will you marry a preacher?
   Nay, Father, Nay!
   Marry a preacher no, my dear!
   I'd be rocking the cradle every year!
   Nay, Father, Nay!
- 3. Daughter, will you marry?
  Yea, Father, Yea!
  Will you marry a teacher?
  Nay, Father, Nay!
  I couldn't be a teacher's wife The screams of the children would shorten my life!
  Nay, Father, Nay!
- 4. Daughter, will you marry? Yea, Father, Yea! Will you marry a doctor? Nay, Father, Nay! A doctor's wife I will not be -Poisoning people is not for me! Nay, Father, Nay!
- 5. Daughter, will you marry? Yea, Father, Yea! Will you marry a lawyer? Nay, Father, Nay! I won't take a lawyer at any price -Cheating people just ins't nice! Nay, Father, Nay!

- 6. Daughter, will you marry?
  Yea, Father, Yea!
  Will you marry a shoemaker?
  Nay, Father, Nay!
  Marry a shoemaker no, no, no!
  I'd be all waxy from head to toe!
  Nay, Father, Nay!
- 7. Daughter, will you marry?
  Yea, Father, Yea!
  Will you marry a carpenter?
  Nay, Father, Nay!
  I can't do anything like that Pounding nails would drive me mad!
  Nay, Father, Nay!
- 8. Daughter, will you marry?
  Yea, Father, Yea!
  Will you marry a fiddler?
  YEA, Father, YEA!
  I want to be a fiddler's wife Singing and dancing are the joy of my life!
  YEA, Father, YEA!