

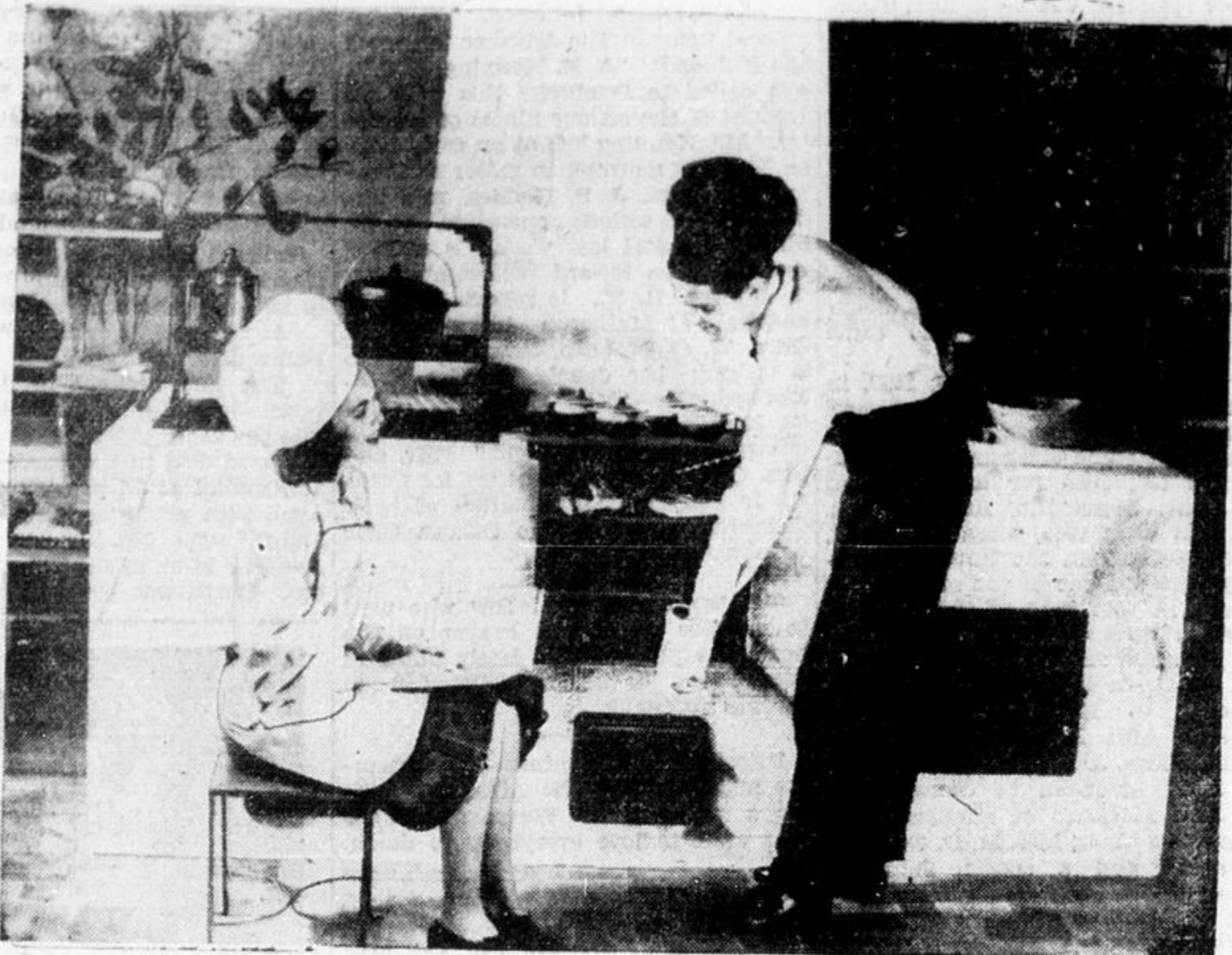


PLEASANT HOMES

by Elizabeth MacRea Boykin

FUN IN YOUR OWN BACK YARD

Outdoor Suppers Should be Easy Casual Affairs—Plan Them Thoughtfully to Save Work—Then Don't Worry About Ants and Ashes!



If you are really going to be fancy about your barbecuing, have a brick stove with a built-in grate and ovens. Then you can do your outdoor cooking in real style. The men will love to officiate over such an efficient arrangement as this.

It took a war emergency to prove to roving Americans that there's no place like home. Now that transportation curtailments have forced us to explore the resources of our own backyards for our summer fun, we're getting a perspective on our pleasures—learning that we don't have to tear madly across the county or state for our good times.

Forethought
But don't forget that home fun can make a lot of extra work. . . part of the lure of going somewhere was to save a lot of cooking over the weekend. Plans for home entertaining in this war summer, when maids are all but extinct in the average American family and butlers as rare as rubber, shouldn't let the work fall too heavily on any one member of the family. . . for an exhausted occasion will put a damper on the gayest celebration. Some forethought can take care of that however.

The more the merrier is a good rule—both for the work and the company. Certainly a summer at home would be a frost if the family didn't feel free about having friends and relations in and out without formality. The way to manage a system like that is to organize a kind of entertaining your can do easily. For most of this some sort of outdoor cooking plan will be the answer. Then get the proper equipment so there won't be last minute searches for this and that—or making out with makeshifts.

A Job For Everybody
Delegate various jobs—have one member of the family responsible for the week-end marketing on Friday or Saturday. Have another take on the drinks—that will include making the coffee in a big picnic size pot and getting

the cups out and in again. . . or if the beverage will be soft drinks, that means getting the bottles and the bucket of ice for keeping them cool, and the glasses if you need them. . . and turning the bottles in for the deposits! Dishes accessories for the service should be taken on by another member of the family. Still another should have responsibility for the food—steaks, hamburgers or frankfurters or whatever. . . bringing them out on a big tray and cooking them. The fuel and cooking apparatus is still another department to the chef or to another member of the gang. Then the clearing up jobs should be divided up and agreed on so there won't be lost time and emotion arguing or being polite about it. Of course you're a small bunch, several of these jobs can be done by one person for none will be too overburdening. But if there's a big family, there can be a separate person for each job.

If the family is to invite friends freely and casually settle on a regular occasion each week. . . say Saturday night. . . or if it suits better, make it a week-day evening. That can be understood to be company night when everybody can be hospitable with grand free gestures. There will be other impromptu evenings when the family and a few friends will want to eat outdoors of course but keep the hordes for one well-planned time.

For a Rustic Eve
As for equipment, you can have an ambitious barbecue table with a revolving spit and all the trimmings. . . expensive but impressive! The tile-top tables with barbecue pits and spits in the middle or at one end bring real luxury to a rustic eve. Then there are carts with charcoal spits and pits that

make a fine fire for the purpose. Down the scale are small practical portable stoves that do the job very nicely too. Various editions of grates and ovens made to be built into brick or stone fireplaces are nice. . . these seem somehow more authentic to us and an outdoor chef can flourish a mean fork over such an affair.

Long-handled broilers, forks and such like are all but necessary accessories, especially if each guest is going to be allowed to chaperone his own morsel. . . and that's half the fun! Take out the paper napkins; use paper or pottery plates and cups as suits you best; get plenty of big trays for carrying things back and forth.

A trestle-type picnic table is very useful. . . especially if it is flanked by long benches. The occasion will be more fun if there are seats of some sort for everyone. . . outdoor chairs, beach chairs or cushions or beach type backrests. But if some must sit on the ground well nobody claimed this was an Astorbilt banquet with all the family silver on display.

Above all keep plans simple and limit the menu to the fundamentals. . . unless you have a private chef and a couple of extra maids. For the point of outdoor meals is to save work—not to make extra work. They don't worry about a few ants or ashes. . . After all the Roosevelts gave hot dogs to the King and Queen.

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MOUTHS OF BABES

This story with a moral comes from Eric Hadfield of Springsfield, Thongbridge, near Huddersfield.

On a wet afternoon recently a four-year-old Thongbridge girl was forbidden by her mother to go out collecting waste paper from neighbours. It was much too wet, her mother said.

The little girl fixed her parent with a stern eye.

"Do you want to win this war or don't you?" she demanded—Leeds Post.

Twenty Years Ago

From the Porcupine Advance Files

The Timmins Baseball Club had ideal weather for their sports on May 24th, 1922; and there was a good crowd in attendance, the number being estimated at around 1000, according to The Advance twenty years ago. Everything passed off in good shape. The Timmins Citizens' Band, under the leadership of F. J. Wolno, started the afternoon in pleasing fashion by excellent music at the station, then marching to the grounds where a number of further selections were given during the afternoon to the great pleasure of the crowd. The junior baseball match between Timmins and Schumacher resulted in a win for the home team 9 to 8. The senior game between Timmins and Cochrane. It was great stuff for the fans. Timmins won 6 to 2. At the time The Advance commented on Stefano's spectacular catch of a foul fly when he had to run backwards through a pile of sand and turned a somersault just as he caught the ball, but landed up safely with the ball in his hands. The pitchers, Tait and Nichols came in for special praise, both having speed, curves and headwork. Thacker played great ball for Cochrane, but it was an off-day for Campbell who could not get control of the ball. The football game was another feature. It was between the "Probables" and the "Possibles." Fergie Cadman scored two for the winners with Burt, Parsons and Cowan getting one each. For the losers Alex Cadman scored the two goals.

Porcupine Lodge A.P. & A.M. attended divine service in a body at the Anglican church in South Porcupine on Sunday morning, May 28th, 1922. There were over fifty in the annual parade. Rt. Rev. Bishop Anderson was the preacher for the occasion and delivered an address, eloquent and full of inspiration.

The inauguration twenty years ago of a regular bus service between Timmins and South Porcupine was referred to in the Advance in its issue of May 31, 1922, as follows:—"On Saturday last Messrs. Taylor and Killiney inaugurated an excellent bus service between Timmins and South Porcupine, there being a bus each way every two hours of the day. The bus itself is a very attractive and creditable one, large, roomy, comfortable and easy travelling. It is a Ruggles motor bus and has a seating capacity of 16. It will accommodate more than this number, of course. As a matter of fact it had to do double service several times being put on, as the traffic could scarcely be accommodated even with a little crowding at times. Sunday the bus made 8 return trips on schedule time, with good crowds each time. About 200 passengers were carried on Sunday, and traffic this week continues at an encouraging level. The time table will be found elsewhere in this issue and shows that the Timmins-Porcupine-Bus Service is certainly giving a modern and very acceptable auto-bus service between Timmins, Schumacher, South Porcupine and the Dome. The fact that the bus is running on schedule increases its usefulness and warrants the opinion that it will increase in popularity. A parcel delivery service is also available in connection with the bus. Another bus exactly the same has been ordered and will be here in a couple of weeks for service on the line. This beautifully equipped and modern "pay-as-you-enter" bus is a decided addition to the convenience of the camp."

Twenty years ago The Advance noted that work was resumed at once on the highway from Timmins to Porcupine Junction and that it was planned to rush through the construction to early completion. In 1921 there was much work done but winter intervened before the road could be completed. There had been reports that the work would not be pushed forward in 1922 but The Advance was pleased to note that these reports seemed unfounded.

Twenty years ago The Advance made the following reference to a new industry started in Timmins:—"One of the latest industries to be added to the industrial life of Timmins is the Timmins Brick and Contracting Co. This firm has its offices and works on Commercial avenue, opposite the Mattagami school. The firm started last week the proprietors being Messrs. J. M. Hackett and H. W. Varney. They are right out after business and there certainly

seems to be a wide field here for their particular industry with the large amount of building operation in the district at present. In addition to making brick, the firm will take contracts for masonry, etc., as well as selling building sand, etc."

The Advance twenty years ago noted the presence in the district of an unusual specimen of deer. Mr. Richardson was in town from Grassy River and told The Advance about seeing a beautiful white deer near the river some days before. The animal was a fine specimen of deerhood and seemed to be white all over—a rare species.

The Advance of May 31st, 1922, had the following:—"The fine new Golf Club house is under construction and is being rapidly carried along to completion. It is expected that the fine new building will be ready for use in a couple of weeks judging from the present rate of progress being made. As soon as the golf greens are ready the various competitors for the year will be announced. The fine new building will be much appreciated by the growing number of golf enthusiasts here. It will be a two-storey structure with ample house accommodation for the local golfers, and is being built in such a style as to permit of any necessary future additions. The second storey will be for the residence of the caretaker. Provision is also being made for the sale of light refreshments at the club house for the convenience of the club members. The fine new club house is on top of the hill overlooking the whole course. It will be equipped with lockers, rest rooms, etc., and will be great comfort and convenience for golfers. At present the golf greens are in fine shape, better than ever, an interest in golf is at a high point. With the new club house completed soon, the golfers are looking forward to a very happy season at the famous game of kings."

Twenty years ago The Advance published a revised schedule for district baseball for 1922. Timmins, Cochrane and Iroquois Falls having teams in the league.

There was a town football league in Timmins twenty years ago, the teams being The Town, Underground and Surface, the last two being Hollinger teams.

The sixth annual Firemen's Ball in the Masonic hall twenty years ago was a big success and greatly enjoyed. The Timmins Fire Dept. netted a neat sum from the event and all present had a most enjoyable time. The Club orchestra furnished the music and the music and everything else about the event was the best.

A special feature of the meeting of the Caledonian Society of Timmins on May 25th, 1922, was the presentation made to Mrs. Simpson, who with her daughters, Mrs. J. Cowan, Mrs. J. Collins and Mrs. A. Roberts, were the first lady members of the society. Mrs. Simpson was leaving for Scotland to resume residence there. Mrs. Simpson was presented with a beautiful gold wrist watch President M. B. Scott making the presentation on behalf of the society and expressing the general appreciation felt for Mrs. Simpson and regret at her departure.

CHARLIE WAS THERE!

Charlie Chaplin is, without a doubt, our greatest entertainer. A visitor to Chaplin's Beverly hilltop house is usually treated to a one-man show that lasts for hours. One evening Konrad Bercevic and his daughter were Chaplin's guests. Chaplin was in good mood and started to give imitations. He imitated writers, actors, political figures, his Jap servant, every one. Then he took Bercevic and his daughter to dinner.

It was past midnight when the three left the restaurant. Chaplin was still imitating people. Suddenly, on the street, while his car pulled up to the curb, he sang at the top of his voice an aria from an Italian opera. He sang it superbly.

"Why, Charlie," Bercevic's daughter exclaimed, "I never knew you could sing so beautifully."

"I can't sing at all," Chaplin answered. "I was only imitating Caruso."—Liberty.

Blairmore Enterprise—A lawyer was burned to death while smoking in bed. Moral: either quit smoking or keep out of bed.

Discuss Mine Tax at Meeting of Mining Municipalities

Timmins Council Well Represented at Meeting at Kirkland Lake.

Kirkland Lake, June 3.—The Ontario Mining Association is steadfastly opposed to any changes being made in the Assessment Act with regard to mining properties but is prepared to forgo, in favor of the mining municipalities, an assessment item of 50 cents per ton of ore milled Reeve V. H. Evans of Tisdale township told members of the Association of Mining Municipalities at a meeting held here last Friday night.

The exemption would apply only to mines that had been in operation for a period of 12 years or more, Reeve Evans said. He added that this would mean a gain of approximately \$40,000 a year to Tisdale Township, 50 per cent. coming from the mines and the remainder from the province.

Reeve Evans told the gathering that the meeting with the representatives of the Ontario Mining Association "was full and frank in every sense but they were adamant in their stand that there should be no re-alignment in the field of provincial or federal taxes insofar as the mining companies are concerned. They held that further changes would inject many other things and make the problem much more acute and complicated than it now is. It was their opinion that the present time was dangerous in which to consider a re-alignment of the assessment and tax picture and that if the question was left where it now stands they would, definitely, consider foregoing the 50 cents per ton milling charge in our favor."

Reeve Evans drew attention to the fact that there could not possibly be any changes in the Assessment Act this year, hence no possibility of any relief through added funds from Mines Income Tax, and added that it was thought best to accept the offer of the Ontario Mining Association for this year.

Reeve Evans said it was not clear why the tax should be foregone on mines producing for 12 years or more but he believed that the offer, "made as a gesture by the Mines Association," should be accepted. Expressing his own opinion he held that the 50 cents per ton milling tax should have been eliminated many years ago. It was a survival of the old Cobalt days when the mill tax was imposed in connection with custom mills.

Teck Township Clerk, J. W. McBain was of the opinion that the mining municipalities should not accept anything from the Ontario Mining Association that was not already theirs as a matter of right.

He asked if the elimination of the mill tax would apply only for this year or would carry through for the duration of the war. Reeve Evans said: "It was a matter of take this or nothing." He felt that the association should accept the proposal but continue its fight for a change in the Assessment Act to secure a re-alignment of mines taxes.

P. M. Murphy, Clerk of Tisdale Township, expressed the opinion that the foregoing of the mill tax by the mines was for the duration of the war but added that it was suggested that representatives of the Mining Municipalities, the Mines Association, and government officials meet for a further discussion of the proposed plan.

Reeve R. J. Carter, Teck Township, questioned the right of the Mines Association to make the 50 cents per ton milling tax available to the mining municipalities. "It looks very much as though the Mining Association is

dictating the policy of the government," he said referring to the fact that the Mining Association had very definite information relative to the fact that the proposed legislation would not come before the legislature this year. "If this is something to which we are justly entitled," he said, "then it is our right, then it should be retroactive."

Timmins Township Clerk, A. L. Shaw, said Reeve Carter had "just about hit the nail on the head," when he said the government's policy was dictated by the Ontario Mining Association.

"What I would like to know, and it is something we should be very definite about, is whether the association is going to be satisfied with something to which we are entitled. Are we going to take that and forego seeking a change in the Assessment Act," Mr. McBain felt that no opportunity should be lost to impress upon the government that the mining municipalities receive a better allocation of mines taxes.

On motion of Reeve Evans, seconded by Councilor T. Church, Teck Township, the association held that a meeting should be arranged, at an early date, with members of the Ontario Mines Association, and government officials for the purpose of discussing the question of mines taxation generally.

Those present at the meeting were: Teck Township: Reeve R. J. Carter, Councilors C. C. Ames, T. Church, F. H. Trudeau, Dr. B. E. Harper, M. Cavanagh and Clerk P. M. Murphy; Whitney, Reeve W. Bannerman, Councilors H. Montrose, C. Dillon, H. Goudie, and Clerk W. F. Strutt; Timmins, Councilors Wm. Roberts, E. M. Terry, J. W. Spooner, and Clerk A. L. Shaw. Councilor Wm. Roberts was chairman and Clerk A. L. Shaw, secretary of the meeting.

SAFE FOR THE NIGHT

On her way to bed the maid looked into her employer's room.

"The master's locked up for the night ma'am," she said.

Her employer looked puzzled.

"Really, Jane?" she said. "He must have been very quiet. I didn't even hear him come in."

"He hasn't ma'am," exclaimed Jane. "The police station have just phoned."—Sudbury Star.

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