

# Mayonnaise and Dogs All Part of Picnic Game

In most neighborhoods on any summer evening there's a picnic going on.

Picnics are typical all over America. For example, let's look in on George and Irma Jones, and their children, Michael and Susan, who are entertaining the Goefers. The Goefers have two children, Gregory and Debbie, who always go with their parents to neighborhood picnics.

"Irma," shouts George, "will you please keep that blasted poach away from the hamburgers. He's eaten two already, paper and all. If he eats any more we'll have to go to the diner tonight—and the stupid dog will have to go to the vets."

"WELL, I CAN'T watch the dog and make the salad too," Irma retorts.

As George works with a screw driver on the mechanism that raises in on George and Irma Jones, the grill, he yells at his wife again. "Irma, Mike's mixing mustard and ketchup together and Debbie is putting mayonnaise all over the Gregory and Debbie, who always go with their parents to neighborhood picnics.

"Irma straightens out the kids while George gets the fire going.

"If you're through playing around with that cooker," says Irma, "do you mind setting the table while I finish defrosting the hot dog rolls.

"What time are Fred and Imogene coming?" asks George as he lays out the paper plates, I'd give anything if they'd leave those wild Indians of theirs at home."

"WHAT WILD Indians?" asks Susan.

"Never mind," says Irma. "Daddy was just talking." A screech of the brakes signals the arrival of the Goefers.

"What's burning?" asks Fred, sniffing loudly. "Smells like meat burning."

George suddenly realizes that the forgotten hot dogs are burned black. He quietly tosses the blackened mess on the ground for the dog to finish.

Just about the time the crowd is ready to sit down a gust of wind whips the plates off the table and they fly in all directions. As Imogene makes a dash for his plates along with the paper napkins, Irma notices a big black smudge on the seat of her orange pedal pusher.

another plateful of beans. "Maybe it's because there's no work to it. No cooking, no dishes," says Irma who had been preparing the food since early this morning. She also knew that for two hours after the Goefers left she would be cleaning up the mess.

As the evening draws to a close and Fred and Imogene climb into their station wagon with the two sleepy kids, everybody decides it has been a wonderful evening. They must do it again, real soon.

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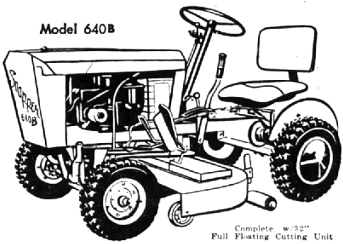
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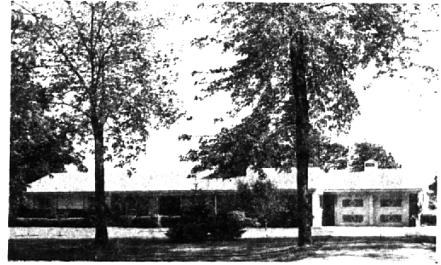


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